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VISITED MRS. INGRAM



MRS. ADA JACKSON (left), Brooklyn church and political leader, and Miss Maude White, administrative secretary of the National Committee to Save the Ingram Family, on their return from a visit with Mrs. Rosa Lee Ingram in a Georgia prison. Mrs. Ingram and two of her teen-age sons were railroaded to prison for life, because a white farmer was killed when they defended themselves against his attack.

—Daily Worker photo by Peter

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Cabbies Ask John L. Lewis Step In to Save Strike

By Bernard Burton

More than 1,000 hackies packed every inch of space in Irving Plaza Hall last night to demand that union officials call a mass meeting tonight (Thursday) and report on today's scheduled conference with the Mayor. Earlier a group of more than 100 rank-and-file strikers sent a telegram to John L. Lewis urging him to personally intervene to save the walkout. It urged Lewis to send a reply to the Irving Plaza meeting but none arrived.

A message was read to the meeting from A. D. Lewis, brother of John L., announcing that officials of District 50, United Mine Workers, would meet with the Mayor at City Hall today. The message also launched into a red baiting tirade against unnamed "Communists."

Presumably, this was an attack upon taxi drivers who were demanding mass meetings and other steps to strengthen strike machinery.

The red baiting, however, appeared to have no effect on the strikers who applauded spokesmen demanding real strike action.

The strikers resolved to strengthen picket lines.

The telegram to John L. Lewis declared:

"We believe victory can still be won because we know 32,000 hackmen of New York are willing and anxious to fight the abuses, corruption and exploitation which exists in this open-shop industry. However, the present union staff in New York is either incapable or unwilling to provide the leadership necessary for a settlement of the strike and to save the union."

Strikers signed the telegram after mass delegations made several fruitless attempts to hold conferences with officials of District 50, United Mine Workers, who had

called the strike. The delegations urged officials to call a mass meeting to inform strikers of progress and to take other steps for a functioning strike machinery.

Delegations consisting of as many as 150 hackies visited central union headquarters, 250 W. 57 St., twice on Tuesday and once yesterday. But officials each time refused to call a mass meeting. They were reported to have scoffed at proposals for establishing simple strike procedure, such as the working out of regular picketing schedules.

As this was being written, determined groups of strikers gathered at Irving Plaza Hall. Walter Brock, District 50 regional director from New Haven, was scheduled to address the meeting. Main interest of the workers, however, was in a reply from Lewis and in what further steps to take.

"The hackies are willing to fight," declared a veteran of the '34 strike. "They came out solid on Friday. But where's the leadership?"

Brock was appointed by A. D. Lewis, head of District 50, to replace Leon Zwicker, former regional director here who was removed from office Tuesday night.

The police yesterday continued the role they have been playing since the strike's first day — a role of strikebreaking and active fink-herding.

Fleet operators yesterday flatly rejected a new proposal by Mayor O'Dwyer for

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Planted FBI Spy Called In Trial of '12'

By Max Gordon

A stoolpigeon planted by the FBI in the Communist movement in Boston nine years ago, yesterday was the second witness called by the government in its frameup case against America's 12 Communist leaders.

The witness, Herbert A. Philbrick, followed the government's chief informer, Louis Budenz, on the stand.

Philbrick, a 33-year-old assistant advertising manager for an independent movie chain, is apparently a small-fry stoolie. He testified he got in touch with the FBI soon after joining the Cambridge Youth Council in 1940. Subsequently, he joined the Young Communist League and then the Communist Party, while maintaining "continuous" contact with the FBI.

The defense completed its cross examination of Budenz a few minutes after noon. Apparently unable to shake the cross examination, the government waived its right to re-examine.

MORE FROM LETTER

Before Budenz was through, the defense read additional passages from Communist Chairman William Z. Foster's private letter to Communist leaders in January, 1944. In this letter, the Communist chairman opposed Earl Browder's revisionist program and outlined the policy subsequently

adopted by the party in July 1945. The letter was produced Tuesday afternoon to refute Budenz' claim that Communists used "Aesopian language" to "mask" their aims.

Excerpts read by defense attorney Harry Sacher directly refuted one of the pet arguments advanced by the government; namely, that Communists "foment" crises in order to "seize power." They showed on the contrary, that the Communists press for a program which would cushion the effects of economic collapse brought on by the workings of capitalist economy and aggravated by the policies of finance capital.

Budenz's "testimony" in his nine days on the stand consisted of a few cock-and-bull stories designed to inflame the jury, identification of dozens of regularly published Marxist-Leninist works and issues of the Daily Worker, and a couple of outdated pamphlets.

He connected the defendants with the formal charge against them for the 1945-48 period covered in the indictments only by

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LEAFLET DISTRIBUTORS FINED \$50

Flatbush Court Magistrate Abner C. Surpless yesterday gave maximum sentences of \$50 fines and six months suspended sentences to Elizabeth Lazorek, 28, and Irwin Rosenblum, 30, arrested in January for distributing leaflets protesting the trial of the Communist leaders.

Obviously nettled by receiving hundreds of telegrams protesting his finding the two guilty of disorderly conduct, Surpless declared, "I am surprised at the un-American activity of people send-

ing me telegrams asking that the verdict be reversed."

The two were arrested during a mass distribution of leaflets issued by the Civil Rights Congress. Surpless's decision was issued in a written opinion, unusual for disorderly conduct cases, thus betraying the political character of the arrest, charges and conviction.

Surpless complained about a "great deal of breast-beating over constitutional rights," and declared the telegram "castigated" him.

Attorneys Abraham Unger and

Thomas Jones of the Civil Rights Congress assailed the arrest of the two. Unger argued they were arrested "because of the content of the leaflets." He called the arrest "oppression" because "they were doing something they had a right to do."

Jones declared, "the arrests remind me of similar persecutions in the South, where Negroes are not permitted the same rights as whites."

Appeals are under consideration and it was learned yesterday.

Profile of an FBI Informer At Foley Sq. Courthouse

By Harry Raymond

A wretched young man clad in freshly pressed, double-breasted blue serge and sporting a dazzling red, white and blue tie, came to the witness stand in the trial of the Communist leaders yesterday afternoon. The second witness for the government, he sat in the same chair left vacant by the police informer Louis Francis Budenz, and, wiping his nose continuously, began telling the jury how for nine years he has lived a double life, a life without honor, in a decaying vista of falsehood.

He announced in a voice almost inaudible, that he was Herbert A. Philbrick, of Melrose, Mass., a motion picture advertising director.

His small eyes were shifty and darted nervously behind rimless spectacles as he told how he became an informer for the FBI nine years ago in the Massachusetts Communist movement and secretly continued at his miserable work until he came to the court as a witness, claiming membership in the Communist Party.

He nervously licked dry lips, as

he recited his tale under the guidance of assistant U. S. Attorney Frank Gordon. His hands were moving continually—first clasping the arms of the witness chair then moving swiftly to stroke his tense twitching face, moving up now and then to smooth down his crew style black pompadour.

He told the jury how he, when just a youth in 1940, joined the Cambridge Youth Council, and how he immediately sought out a special FBI agent named Healy, offering the agent his services as a professional stool pigeon.

He tried hard to appear pleasantly at ease, as he sat there on the witness stand, but his smile was forced, fretful and quick, betraying the despicable deception that dominates his whole being and will henceforth make him a despised creature shunned by decent and honest men.

He may not know it, but it is certain that he will learn that even the secret political police to whom he sold his soul mistrust him and know him only as a tool to be used for a while and then discarded unceremoniously when his value as a sneak and a snooper wears out.

His story, strikingly lacking originality, was an old, oft-told tale. There was, indeed, a Communist Party in Massachusetts. It had a professional group which held meetings. And it seems the group decided to divide into smaller groups of five so as to become more effective politically. He claimed to have graduated into this group from the Young Communist League in 1944, and was the group's literature director.

He said that during the period of his double life he reported to the FBI constantly on Party affairs, knowledge of which was readily available in Communist publications. There was a Communist State convention in Boston, July 21-22, 1945, the proceedings and decisions of which were openly published at the time. The FBI's

little boy said he was there as an alternate delegate, apparently the lone conspirator among the participants.

Court room observers were speculating, as the session ended to reconvene today, on whether or not prosecutor McGohey will produce any honest men at witnesses for the government.

Nazis March Again in Reich

The marching feet of jack-booted Nazis and the singing of "Deutschland Ueber Alles" are again reverberating through the streets of northern Germany. So reports New York Times correspondent Drew Middleton, in a story carried yesterday under the heading, "Neo-Fascism Rises in North Germany."

Former Nazi Party members and SS-men are organizing the movement, which is financed according to the Social-Democratic Minister of the Interior of British-occupied Westphalia "by money from industrialists."

The industrial Ruhr, stronghold of the German cartels, is included in the area which, Middleton writes, has seen a steady growth of fascist sentiment in the last six months.

In a revealing commentary on the true nature of the anti-Soviet policies of the Western powers, Middleton describes a recent convention of such fascist elements in Lippe as having had a "strong reactionary tone" and "violently anti-Soviet."

Vote 43 Millions For Berlin Airlift

WASHINGTON, April 6 (UP).—The House Appropriations Committee today voted \$43,000,000 in emergency funds to keep the Berlin airlift running at full capacity through June 30.

CONFERENCE TO WIDEN DRIVE ON STUYVESANT TOWN BIAS

A citywide conference Saturday to map a campaign to smash the anti-Negro renting policies of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. in its Stuyvesant Town housing development will hear a report of a meeting on the issue Tuesday with Mayor O'Dwyer.

The unprecedented opposition has forced the Broyles commission to schedule its investigations of the University of Chicago and Roosevelt College in Springfield instead of the college campuses as originally planned. Students and faculty members at both institutions, however, indicate they will trek to the state capitol to protest the witchhunt.

One of the broadest conferences ever to be held in this city, with delegates scheduled to attend from scores of organizations of all types, the gathering is expected to put the giant insurance trust squarely on the spot, as well as the Mayor, who up to now has refused to intervene against the insurance company's Jimcrow policy.

A recent survey in the development showed 62 percent of the residents in favor of renting to Negroes. A petition signed by 3,100 tenants called on the Mayor to act against the restrictive covenant enforced by Metropolitan. The project is in part financed by a 25-year tax exemption granted it by

Illinois Labor Federation Blasts Police State Bills

By Ruby Cooper

CHICAGO, April 6.—The Illinois Federation of Labor has thrown its 800,000 members into the fight to defeat the police-state Broyles bills by coming out squarely against the witchhunting measures now in the state Legislature. Following unanimous opposition to the fascist bills voted by

the state labor body's executive board, President Reuben Soderstrom denounced them as "thoroughly unsound" and warned that they would "interfere with the rights of free press and free speech."

The Federation's action was followed last night by unanimous condemnation of the bills at a regular meeting of the Chicago Federation of Labor. The delegates approved a resolution offered by Local 637 of the Painter's Union, which was recommended for adoption by the CFL's executive committee.

PROTESTS MOUNT

The opposition of the Illinois Federation of Labor and Chicago Federation of Labor symbolizes the mounting protest movement broadening with each passing day.

Sole official support for the Broyles bills has come only from the American Legion while overwhelming opposition has been piling up. This has led to a growing belief that chances for stopping the bills in the House are much more favorable than they recently appeared, provided the pressure on legislation is further intensified.

The bills have already passed the State Senate, with only eight Senators in opposition. Hearings are scheduled shortly by the House Judiciary Committee.

TO OUTLAW CP

The fascist measures would outlaw the Communist Party, imprison Communists and members of "Communist front" organizations for from one to five years, and impose thought-control throughout the educational system.

Other unions opposing the bills include AFL Typographical Union No. 16, now on strike against Chicago newspapers; and the regional conference of CIO United Auto Workers, which also voted unanimously.

A legislative meeting held in Springfield of the Illinois Council of Churches, representing all Protestant churches in the state, is also reported to have acted against the bills.

NOTABLES PROTEST

Fifty leading professors and instructors at the University of Illinois have jointly sent an 1,800-word telegram to the Speaker of the House.

Another 35 prominent figures in the community surrounding the

University of Chicago have protested the bills as "Hitlerian attempts to impose on the American people thought control and suppression of free speech and free elections."

Among these signers are Dr. Anton Carlo; Prof. Robert Havighurst; Edith Abbott; Dr. Maud Slye; Dr. Eustace Haydon; Prof. Ernest Burgess, and Curtis Reese, head of Abraham Lincoln Center.

Editorial positions against the bills have been taken by the Chicago Sun-Times, Chicago Daily News, and even obliquely, by the Chicago Tribune.

Sun-Times columnist Akers asserted that, "if you can outlaw one group of American citizens for what they think or say—not for what they do—you can outlaw any other group for what they think or say. Your group could be next."

A protest meeting has been scheduled for April 12, by the American Civil Liberties Union, featuring as speakers Sun-Times columnist Kenesaw Landis and Rev. John Thompson, dean of Rockefeller Chapel at the University of Chicago.

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By ALAN MAX

Point of Order

NOW THAT the pro-war bankers have fired the editor of the N. Y. Post, the old saying about "left at the post" should be revised to "extreme right at the Post."

Gov't Aide Admits Arms for Europe Hurts U. S.

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Edwin G. Nourse, chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers has warned that additional government expenditures for arms to Europe will upset the national budget and be harmful to the economy. In a speech at the Pentagon yesterday he indicated that, in his opinion as an econo-

mist, funds for military lend-lease under the North Atlantic Pact must be found within the \$15,000,000,000 allotted the military in the 1950 budget.

Nourse's position conflicts with that taken by President Truman in his budget message in January which stated that additional appropriations would be asked later to defray the costs of arms to western European governments.

At the White House today, they had risen to \$10 billion a year. Nourse told reporters his speech was "cleared with the President" before he delivered it. He added hastily that this did not necessarily mean the President approved it.

Nourse's speech reflected the growing concern in some conservative circles about the mounting costs of the cold war. Sen. Millard Tydings (D-Md) said last week

market and acknowledged that if it were suddenly reduced, "the result would undoubtedly be the injection of uncertainty into business plans" and a consequent recession.

"But that is far from saying that the present scale of military expenditure is really good for the economy and that a few billion more would be better," Nourse said.

FREE GREEKS RECOVER ALL WESTERN GRAMMOS

LONDON, April 6.—In three days' fighting in Grammos the Democratic Army forces have recovered the entire Western Grammos territory lost during last year's offensive by the Athens regime, the Free Greece Radio reported this morning.

The broadcast pointed out that the monarch-fascists fought for two and a half months last summer, losing 30,000 killed, wounded and captured troops to capture the territory.

An Athens announcement said two planes were downed, a British-made Spitfire fighter and a U. S.-built C-47 transport.

ARREST STRIKERS

[Meanwhile, the military governor of Athens announced the arrest of 15 leaders of a communications strike. The strike leaders were threatened with court martial unless they called off the walkout at once.]

During the current three days' fighting, the Free Greece Radio said, enemy losses were 657 killed, 748 prisoners, 1,700 wounded. A great many officers were included among the captured. Six enemy planes were shot down.

The battle was described as the

heaviest of the civil war, with the Democratic Army forces advancing 20 miles in three days.

Meanwhile, the London Daily Herald (Labor Party organ) correspondent cabled from Athens that the "Sofoulis government is hanging by a hair, the situation being the most serious since the war."

Britons Get Bigger Hardship Budget

LONDON, April 6 (UP).—Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir Stafford Cripps today told the British people what they can expect during the coming year—more expensive food, continued high taxes and harder work.

He proposed to Parliament a 1949-50 budget calling for expenditures of 3,311,398,000 pounds, (about \$13,244,000,000) and a surplus of about 488,000,000 pounds (\$1,954,000,000).

Cripps estimated defense expenditures at 759,863,000 pounds (\$3,040,000,000)—an increase of about \$268,000,000 over last year—and warned that "we cannot look for any marked reduction (in defense costs) for some years."

hearings it was holding on the Thomas-Lesinski bill and late today had set no time for another meeting. It was reported however that a meeting was possible tomorrow or Friday.

The three southern Democrats on the committee want to report the Wood bill instead of the Administration-sponsored Thomas-Lesinski bill. The four Republicans are listening to the southerners, but haven't yet reached a final decision. If they agree, the two groups will make a majority on the

rules committee on Monday suddenly broke off a series of

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committee and the Wood bill will

be reported.

Chairman Adolph Sabath (D-Ill)

and four northern Democrats fa-

vor reporting the Thomas-Lesinski bill but, due to the failure of

House Speaker Sam Rayburn to

reorganize the committee at the

opening of the 81st Congress, the

Republicans and southern Demo-

crats have a majority.

Veteran observers here recalled

that this was the maneuver which

brought the Case anti-labor bill to

the House floor in 1946. The Nor-

ton bill went into the rules com-

mittee as a "moderate" piece of

labor regulation but before it

emerged, the Case bill which

served as a model for Taft-Hartley

was substituted.

Labor representatives here be-

lieve the situation which will con-

front progressives on April 26

when floor debate begins is that

the Wood bill will be the business

before Congress. Their job, they

say, will then be to fight to sub-

stitute the Marcantonio bill for the

Woods bill. The Marcantonio bill

provides for complete repeal of the

Taft-Hartley act.

company directly attempted to in-

fluence its employes to vote against

UOPWA. Company facilities were

made available to the AFL, the

UOPWA charged.

Pending action on the union's

request for injunction, the Board

has postponed conferences sched-

uled for today.

D.C. Pressmen End Strike

WASHINGTON, April 6 (UP).—AFL pressmen today bowed to

an edict of their international offi-

cials and called off a 24-hour wild-

cat work stoppage that had forced

Washington's four daily newspa-

pers to suspend publication for the

first time in history.

Their decision was announced

by Charles V. Ernest of Philadel-

phia, a union international vice-

president, after a meeting of the

140 pressmen who quit work at 6

p.m. Tuesday.

Ernest said the pressmen will

return to work at the Post and

Times-Herald tonight and at the

News and Star tomorrow morning,

"pending further negotiations" for

a new contract.

The pressmen have demanded

wage increases higher than the \$6

weekly raise granted other crafts

unions recently, and other benefits.

Move in Hungary For New Elections

BUDAPEST, April 6 (UP).—The Hungarian People's Front tonight asked the President and the Government to dissolve parliament and hold new elections, it was officially announced.

When Mrs. Thackrey acquired the Post 10 years ago, Thackrey was the paper's assistant city editor. He was promoted rapidly, and the two were married in 1943. Last February they separated and have remained apart since then.

U.S. Plan Would Give Part of Italian Colonies to Britain

By Joseph Starobin

LAKE SUCCESS, April 6.—The United States yesterday proposed a division of the former Italian colonies which gives a share to Britain, throws small bones to Italy and Ethiopia and leaves the future control over strategic Libya to further Anglo-American bargaining.

The proposal came from John Foster Dulles at the UN Assembly's political committee after the steering committee held over until Thursday morning a decision on whether the trials of Joseph Mindszenty in Hungary and Protestant clergymen in Bulgaria should go on the UN agenda. Poland's delegate Julius Katz-Suchy, fought

on these cases to a standstill this morning after the United States, followed by most other delegates, backed them.

Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko is scheduled to speak on this point Thursday morning.

The American plan for the Italian colonies only partly pleased the British and may satisfy the Ethiopians, but left Italy still

on tenterhooks. Count Carlo Sforza Italy's Foreign Minister, arrived last night from Washington to appear before the committee on which he was assured a seat by an American motion. Just how the political committee should hear spokesmen for the colonial peoples of the Italian colonies was left open after a two-hour debate. No (Continued on Page 11)

Thackrey Fired by N.Y. Post For Opposing War Pact

T. O. Thackrey was fired by the N. Y. Post as editor and publisher because he opposed the North Atlantic War Alliance, it was revealed yesterday in an announcement published in that paper. The announcement of Thackrey's firing came in a signed statement by Mrs. Dorothy Schiff.

Thackrey, heiress of the Schiff banking millions and recently estranged wife of Thackrey. She made the announcement in the name of the paper's board of directors. Mrs. Thackrey is the owner of the Post.

"Irreconcilable differences on fundamental questions of policy made a request for his (Thackrey's) resignation inevitable," said Mrs. Thackrey.

What these differences were was referred to in the statement but not stated directly. Said Mrs. Thackrey:

"This newspaper, in line with its policies of the past 10 years, must and will meet these new threats to democracy by opposing with equal vigor all totalitarianism, whether fascist or Communist."

Thackrey, however, was outspokenly against this policy, having steadily denounced it in editorials as a policy of aggression leading to war against the Soviet Union. The basic split between the owner and the editor became apparent last year during the election campaign, when Thackrey, after considerable hesitation, came out for Henry Wallace. Mrs. Thackrey, on the other hand, endorsed the Republican candidate, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, despite the fact that her statement yesterday claimed agreement with President Truman's "Fair Deal" program.

Apparently Thackrey's strong attack on the North Atlantic Pact last week proved to be the final straw for the banking heiress, who sought the paper for the In-

Secret War Clause in Atlantic Pact Cited

MOSCOW, April 6.—Secret clauses in the Atlantic Pact provide for "armed American intervention in the internal life of any signatory," it was charged today by the New Times, Soviet periodical. The New Times declared that armed intervention was planned

Manchester Guardian Has Its Doubts

The British newspaper, Manchester Guardian, reports wide opposition in the United States to the North Atlantic Pact. While this anti-Soviet organ is primarily concerned with the fear that the new Western Europe armaments program will siphon off Marshall Plan funds, it recognizes that people everywhere see in the pact an instrument of war and American imperialism.

In the current weekly air mail edition, writing from Princeton, N. J., David Mitrany declares: "Most American papers have spoken with approval of the Atlantic Pact, but among the public, those who care at all, there is as much uneasiness as satisfaction."

Western European economy will be "hampered" and Communist influence given a "new lease on life" because of the pact, he declares. "The Atlantic Pact," he adds, "seems to offer evidence for the ceaseless burden of Soviet and Communist propaganda that schemes for western unity were little more than anti-Russian plots in disguise and the Marshall Plan but the vanguard of American imperialism."

It was "paradoxical" to push the "idea of Western unity," the author says, in the face of the fact that one-third of the voters and therefore "at least one-half" of the workers, voted Communist in France and Italy.

Tugwell Denies Story He Quit Wallace Party

Special to the Daily Worker

CHICAGO, April 6.—William H. Miller, state director of the Illinois Progressive Party, today announced he had been authorized by Dr. Rexford Guy Tugwell to deny reports that Tugwell had quit the Progressive Party.

Miller's statement was issued after the appearance here in the Chicago Sun-Times of a story by Washington columnist Carleton Kent asserting flatly that Tugwell had said "hail and farewell to the Henry A. Wallace Progressive Party" in an article written for the monthly Wisconsin publication, *The Progressive*.

After a telephone conversation with Tugwell, Miller said he had been authorized by Tugwell to quote him as saying that he had not left the Progressive Party and that nothing in his article printed in *The Progressive* could possibly warrant such a conclusion.

"Tugwell said that Kent evidently had not read his article and that in his opinion there is now more reason than ever for continuing the Progressive Party," Miller added.

under cover of false reference to so-called internal or indirect aggression."

Attacks on the Atlantic pact as an instrument of warmongers were also featured in the Soviet newspapers Pravda and Izvestia and in the Literary Gazette. The World Peace Congress to be held in Paris April 20 was also given much space in the papers here.

Among the subjects discussed were Winston Churchill's Massachusetts Institute of Technology speech March 31, Secretary of State Dean Acheson's "boorish" action in sending Soviet composer Dmitri Shostakovich and other New York peace congress delegates home, and President Truman's failure to attend the laying of a cornerstone for United Nations headquarters in New York. "HYPOCRITES' CHORUS"

"Day and night in all languages the Anglo-American propaganda machine shouts about the alleged harmless and defensive character of the pact," the Literary Gazette said. "Truman so declared hypocritically and this lie was repeated one after another by the 12 ministers who appended their signatures to this black pact of the warmongers."

The New Times declared that Truman cancelled his engagement to take part in the UN headquarters cornerstone laying because the Atlantic Pact was in flagrant contradiction with UN principles.

Playwright Konstantin Simonov, denouncing Acheson for sending Shostakovich home, named Attorney General Tom Clark as another who joined in the "recent widespread American custom of turning their back to people with whom they were discussing, or slamming the door in their noses."

CHURCHILL'S CRUSADE

Churchill, Pravda said, used the platform of the MIT "for a soap box to preach an anti-Soviet crusade."

"This ill-fated knight of the gloomy countenance again amused curious Americans by his hysterical anti-Soviet attack," Pravda said.

The New Times denounced Gen. Helge Jung, commander in chief of the Swedish armed forces; Lt. Gen. Benet Nordenskiold, chief of the air force, and Maj. Gen. Nils Svedlund, chief of the defense staff who, it said, wanted military bases to be ready to serve the United States.

Izvestia declared that reactionaries in Finland were "still dreaming of the return of the old, notorious anti-popular policy of dark adventures" and that they were finding support among "Anglo-American warmongers." But they will be

Fail to Block Philly CP Rally

PHILADELPHIA, April 6.—An attempt to prevent the Communist Party from meeting here Friday was broken last week with the announcement that a Communist Party peace rally will be held at the Stephen Girard Hotel.

The meeting was originally scheduled for the same date at the Broadwood Hotel. The Broadwood management broke its contract and is being sued in Municipal Court for damages, Party leaders said.

Speakers will include Gus Hall, Ohio Communist chairman and one of the 12 indicted Communist leaders and Phil Bart, chairman of the Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania.

defeated by Finland's "democratic forces favoring peace and friendship with the Soviet Union," Izvestia added.

Say 66 Die in Hospital Fire

EFFINGHAM, Ill., April 6 (UPI).—Catholic Chancery officials today set a death toll of 66 for the St. Anthony's Hospital fire. The Chancery counted 58 bodies and believed eight more were still buried in the ruins.

The fire flashed up a laundry chute from the basement Monday night, enveloping the three-story building and trapping scores of bed-ridden patients.

State fire marshal Pat Kelly said the Hospital had been freshly painted, and that possibly paints and varnish were stored in the basement.

The southern Illinois town of 8,000 was wrapped in grief for the victims.

The first funeral, for a woman victim, was held today. Group services for four were scheduled tomorrow.

LOCALS OF UE, WAREHOUSE, STEEL HIT JURY-RIGGING

LOS ANGELES, April 6.—Three more important unions have endorsed a resolution criticizing the jury system under which the Communist Party national board members are being tried in New York, the Civil Rights Congress announced here.

These are CIO United Electrical Workers Local 1421, CIO Warehouse Local 26, both with 3,000 members, and CIO Consolidated Steelworkers Local 2058, with more than 1,000 members.

Last week, the CRC reported, AFL Painters Local 1595, CIO Furniture Workers Local 576 and CIO News Vendors Local 75 had approved the resolution.

Noting that "big business interests have been successful in obtaining control over the American jury system," the unions said that "this jury system is now being exposed in New York during the trial of 11 Communists."

They said they took no position "on the merits of the New York case," but did want to protest as "illegal" the jury system to Judge John C. Knox, federal district court of New York, and Attorney General Tom Clark in Washington.

The Steelworkers local, in a letter by Paul E. Sanders, recording secretary, to the civil rights group, said it concurred in the "resolution condemning the employers' control over the jury system in New York."

It sent a letter to Sen. William Langer "congratulating him for his stand as expressed in the speech he made on Jan. 24" in

which he denounced the jury system.

Other locals which have taken similar action include CIO Longshore 13 of San Pedro and AFL Painters Local 1348.

25 Picket CCNY On Job Status

Twenty-five maintenance workers at uptown City College yesterday picketed Army Hall to protest their possible loss of job because they do not have civil service status. Dozens of students joined the job action until the police reduced the picket lines to a handful.

Some 35 maintenance workers are involved in the fight against the college's attempts to remove them from their jobs. The workers were advised several years ago by the former director of Army Hall—Prof. William C. Davis—not to take the civil service examinations on the promise that they would be retained without civil service status.

Davis has since been removed from his post because of his jimmie crow housing policy at Army Hall during the war. The civil service examinations for the jobs are over and the lists have been completed.

The workers, most of whom belong to Local 111, United Public Workers, insist that the college retain them on the basis of Davis' promise.

The workers made it clear they were not on strike.

Mayor Favors Wall Street On Realty Tax in New Budget

By Michael Singer

On page 32 of Mayor O'Dwyer's \$1,179,026,930 budget message for 1949-50 submitted to the Board of Estimate on April 1 appears the following extraordinary statement: "Due to favorable realty values, it is assumed the hearings of tax certiorari proceedings will continue at the present level."

Translated in plain English, it means that big real estate operators will continue to pay \$2.89 for every \$100 of assessed valuation—the first time in any O'Dwyer budget that no new tax rate on property has been projected.

Here lies the most ominous note in the entire budget. It clinches the city administration's pact with Wall Street, puts on the agenda a further fare increase, freezes the starvation pay diet for civil service workers and exposes as sheer hypocrisy O'Dwyer's pleas for expanded school, hospital, social and welfare services.

Progressive forces have no quarrel with O'Dwyer's politically-inspired directive to the Board of Assessmen not to increase levies on one- and two-family houses. But these small-home owners (300,000 one-family and 200,000 two-family owners) represent only 22 percent of the assessed valuation of all property in the city.

The budget, however, does not raise taxes on the other 78 percent of property owned by the monopolies, banks, insurance companies and big realty developments. It is this property-owning group which is being given millions of dollars in O'Dwyer's refusal to raise realty taxes.

Since 1945, when he assumed office, the mayor has reduced the percentage of real estate tax to run the city from 67.85 percent to 56.34 percent in the 1949-50 budget. In his message, O'Dwyer admits that of the \$300 million budget increase since his election, only \$100 million came from Big Business realty groups and \$200 million from sales and consumer taxes which hit the poor hardest.

In 1947-48, the business tax, then an $\frac{1}{4}$ percent of its present rate, yielded \$37,200,000, in the

current 1948-49 budget it was doubled to \$62,700,000. (No one can ascertain how 2 times 37 equals 62: what happened to the other 12 million dollars, Mr. Mayor?) Be that as it may, the 1949-50 budget estimates a \$61 million yield from the business and financial levy—an assumption that there will be a 15 percent drop in business volume for the next fiscal year.

But when it comes to the sales tax, O'Dwyer is optimistic. Despite a drop in department store volume, taxes based on 1948-49 sales are expected to bring in \$132,000,000, some \$3,000,000 more than in 1947-48.

QUESTIONS TO MAYOR

Question, Mr. O'Dwyer: Why do you assume less revenues from the business and financial tax while seeing continued high sales volume in an increased sales tax, which is borne by the consumer and low-income group?

Another Question, Mr. Mayor: Are you deliberately underestimating the 1949-50 General Fund by another \$65 million as you did the current budget?

These are questions that civil service workers, teachers, librarians, nurses, consumers and strap-hangers will have a chance to ask at budget hearings opening tomorrow at 10:30 a.m.

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Tientsin Greets World Peace Rally Delegates

TIENTSIN, April 6 (NCNA).—The Chinese delegation to the World Congress for Peace was given an enthusiastic send-off as it passed through Tientsin on its way to Paris.

One thousand representatives of various people's organizations, institutions and schools, including Li Chieh-po, secretary general of the All-China Federation of Labor, and leading democratic personalities who recently arrived at Tientsin from Hongkong, crowded the station to greet the delegation.

Karen Chief OKs Cease Fire

RANGOON, Burma, April 6.— Saw Ba U Gyi, president of the Karen Nation Union, said in an interview today that he and Premier Thakin Nu have reached an agreement "on all points."

Saw Ba U Gyi said he had called for a cease-fire on all fronts and that "all commanders are complying."

He negotiated with Thakin Nu for peace after six Socialists resigned from the government. The Premier has been reforming his cabinet with independents.

FIND ILLINOIS POLITICIANS ON PROSTITUTE TRUST'S LISTS

CHICAGO, April 6 (UP).—Prominent politicians, businessmen and a Broadway actor were listed as customers of an alleged local prostitution syndicate, police said today after they staged an early morning raid on the ring's "nerve center."

Police Capt. Thomas Harrison said the names were contained in a "little black book" seized in the raid. He said there were "hundreds" of names listed, but declined to disclose any of them.

He said only that the list, which contained "fantastic" disclosures, included names of two Chicago businessmen, an Illinois state Sen-

Elect Delegates to All-China Youth Meet

PEIPING, April 6 (NCNA).—Preparations for the convening of the All-China Committees of the New Democratic Youth League of China and the Chinese Liberated Areas Youth Federation moved their Headquarters to Peiping and elected representatives to participate in the preparatory work of the Congress.

The All-China Students' Federation states that the purpose of the Congress—to strengthen the unity and efforts of youth in the struggle for the thorough liberation of all China, the smashing of all the disruptive intrigues of American imperialism and the Kuomintang reactionaries and the building of a New Democratic China—coincides with that of the All-China Students' Federation.



A Defendant Views the Gag on Foster

By Gil Green
Illinois Chairman, Communist Party, and one of the Twelve

WERE IT NOT that Judge Medina sits on a lofty throne and wears a mustache, it would be difficult indeed to distinguish him from Prosecutor McGahey.

Many have been the arbitrary rulings of Judge Medina against the defendants. Most brazen of all has been his refusal to permit the Defense to obtain written testimony from William Z. Foster.

Everyone knows that Comrade Foster is the chairman and outstanding leader of the Communist Party. Everyone also knows that he too is a defendant, having been indicted with the rest of the National Board.



GIL GREEN
The only reason Comrade Foster is not in the Court room with the rest of us, is due to a severe heart condition. He was severed from the case—although the indictment against him still stands—after the physicians appointed by the court, found that his physical participation in the trial could well result in fatal consequences.

However, the testimony of Comrade Foster is imperative for the defense of our party. This is so because William Z. Foster is the prime leader of our party and no one else can properly substitute for him. Furthermore, as the evidence introduced by the prosecution already shows, Comrade Foster played a special and unique role in the reconstitution of the Com-

munist Party in 1945—the act which the prosecution alleges to have been a crime.

It is for these reasons that the defendants have insisted on their right to obtain written testimony from Comrade Foster.

THERE IS nothing unusual in such a request. Customarily the court grants such permission as a simple routine matter. Whenever an important witness cannot appear in person, his testimony is brought into evidence by having it taken outside the court room and presented to the jury in written form, or what is known in legal language as a "disposition."

But Judge Medina, despite his full knowledge of Comrade Foster's serious state of health, has refused to grant such permission. Nor has he given any reasons for this action.

Thus we are compelled to conclude that the only reason for this refusal, is that the judge and the prosecution are afraid of Comrade Foster's testimony and are intent on keeping it out at all costs

WHAT OTHER conclusion can one draw? The only other one possible I do not want to draw and even hate to mention—namely, that the judge and prosecution are desirous of forcing Comrade Foster to testify in person, thereby placing his life in jeopardy.

In recent months I have heard many people say "at least you will get a fair trial." This is the kind of "fair" trial we are getting. Certainly the time has come for those who believe in a fair trial to speak out and insist that we get it, and in the first place that William Z. Foster's evidence be heard without requiring him to leave his sick bed and take his life in his hands by testifying from the witness stand.

Clark Admits His Spy Bill Undermines Civil Rights

WASHINGTON, April 6 (FP)—Attorney General Tom Clark admitted to members of the Senate Judiciary Committee today that the McCarran anti-espionage bill which he wrote, is a catch all designed to make it possible to prosecute persons now protected by law.

The Attorney General originally included a wiretapping and communications seizure clause in the bill and then withdrew it in the face of bitter opposition.

Clark made his admission in defending a clause in the proposed legislation which would make it a crime to pass on information which might be of use to a possible enemy of this country.

Answering objections from Sens. Homer Ferguson (R-Mich) and Forrest Donnell (R-Mo), Clark said, "It is a catch-all measure. We have had difficulty in prosecuting cases in the past. This measure would allow us more freedom because we would not have to prove that the person passing on such information did so with the intent to help an enemy country."

He promised to present before an executive session of the committee a group of cases which he thinks possible to prosecute if the law is passed, but which cannot be prosecuted under present laws.

ASK UN TO ACT ON USE OF POISON GAS BY ATHENS GOVT

The reported use of poison gas boarded a plane at LaGuardia Airport against Free Greek army by the U. S.-dominated Fascist army has been called to the attention of United Nations Secretary General Trygve Lie in a joint note from Poland and Czechoslovakia, it was revealed yesterday.

The letter to Lie, which has been referred to the UN, Balkan Committee, was signed by Polish delegate Dr. Julius Katz-Suchy and Czech delegate Dr. Vladimir Houdek. It cited an Associated Press dispatch of March 21 from Athens quoting the royalist government as saying that it was using sulphur fumes "to rout out remaining guerrilla resistance on Peloponnesus."

The letter charged the Athens government was violating the Geneva Convention and other treaties prohibiting the use of gas. It said the A.P. report confirmed earlier information broadcast by NBC that the Athens minister of war "accused U. S. officials with failure to live up to a promise to provide poison gas for use against the guerrillas."

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William Polk, Harvard student,



Bar Use of Scab Leather

Special to the Daily Worker

CHICAGO, April 6.—Two hundred and fifty CIO shoe workers staged a spontaneous walkout at the big Florsheim Shoe Co. plant here in protest against handling scab leather.

Rank-and-file workers refused to work on the scab materials and announced they were walking out in solidarity with a strike of CIO Fur & Leather Workers at a plant in Virginia.

Work was completely halted in the sole leather cutting room and resumed the next day only after

company officials promised no more scab leather from the struck plant would be used.

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Right Wing Phonies

CHICAGO

Dear Editor:

Recently the phonies who have this local union of 1,000 workers at the Armour Soap Works have been growing more frantic and desperate.

They started out by trying to refuse to pay per capita tax to the International because it refused to engage in witch-hunts.

While this clique has been fighting the International Union they have forgotten about fighting Armour & Co. and its speedup.

When the last election of local officers rolled around, they had a hand-picked election committee in cooperation with some of the gang who directly intervened in the election machinery to steal the local election.

A group of active union men in the plant felt that this was too much, and sent a delegation down to the International office to protest. The International officers urged that the thing be resolved through working out a deal on the local election. When a committee of the unionists protested the phony election, Richard C. Saunders, "president" of Local 100, replied by beating up Al Williams, who was about half his size.

ARMOUR SOAP WORKER.

Struggle at Filene's

BOSTON

Dear Editor:

I work in Filene's Department Store, Boston. We belong to Local 711, AFL Retail Clerks. There are 3,600 of us. We have been negotiating with the company since Dec. 6, but nothing is coming out of it.

We had a union meeting at Tremont Temple at which 1,000 showed up. We turned down the company offer and demanded a \$25 a month raise for every Filene worker. We're going to stick by that demand. Filene's has made enough money not to even feel that raise, but to us it means the difference between going hungry and not.

FILENE WORKER
Boston

Fight Low Pay

PHILADELPHIA.

Dear Editor:

It looks like a tough fight this spring for us AFL building trades workers. The contract expires

April 30. We all want more money, but the bosses say no.

All the trades are unanimous in asking for higher rates, but there has been no progress at all in negotiations.

There is also a growing feeling among the men that we need other benefits in the new agreement, like paid vacations, paid holidays, and a welfare fund. There is nothing like this in the building trades, although many other unions have won these benefits.

Unemployment is growing steadily for carpenters, paper hangers, painters, and all the trades. The day room in the union halls are full of men looking for work.

It's even worse for the unorganized workers. They were getting the union scale and even more a few years ago. Now they are way below us-four or five dollars a day under union scale. And they can't find work, either.

Unless the builders come across with an increase and other benefits, it looks like a stoppage when the contract expires.

Building Trades Worker.

Keystone Strike

BOSTON

Dear Editor:

It is now eight weeks since the day we walked out of the Keystone Mfg. Co. plant in Dorchester, Mass. More than 700 of us went out on strike when the bosses decided that they'd either force us to take the same wages and sweatshop conditions of last year or else start busting up our union.

We refused to let the company force us into working under the old conditions, and when they began laying off our members and union leaders out of seniority, and cutting piece work rates, we hit the bricks.

This is our first big strike at Keystone. Last year the bosses came through after a one week strike. This year it looks like a fight to the finish. Either we get decent wages and a good union to settle our beefs, or its back to the old sweatshop days.

Local 262 of UE-CIO is doing a good job in the strike. We have a collection committee with about 50 strikers who go out to other factories and collect money right at the shop gates.

Other UE locals, and the national union, are sending in money. We have a Strike Aid committee that uses this money to help out strikers who need help the most. We get food donations from other organizations, including the Inter-

national Workers Order and Communist Party groups.

There still aren't any signs that the company is ready to give in any to the workers. Our spirits are still high as our strike continues.

KEYSTONE WORKER,

Laundry Speedup

BRIDGEPORT.

Dear Editor:

I think that we workers in Home Laundry can learn an important lesson from the layoffs. Last year, we were putting out only 70 washing machines an hour on a 40-hour week. If both shifts had stuck together we could have prevented this figure from going to 80 machines and we could have opposed working six days. If this had been done, there would be no layoffs now.

What we did was overproduce ourselves out of jobs. At present, we have got to see to it that the company, in reorganizing the assembly line for 57 machines an hour, is not allowed to get away with its back-breaking speedup. The company is slowing down the line but is removing many workers and giving the remaining workers far more to do.

HOME LAUNDRY WORKER.

Action at J & L

PITTSBURGH

Dear Editor:

Forty-five steel workers in the open hearths of the Jones and Laughlin mill have electrified workers in this big plant.

Early in March these rank-and filers organized to secure an immediate wage increase. They began holding a series of meetings around wages.

On March 3, a letter was sent to the company demanding negotiations on the installation of an incentive plan to raise the open-hearth wages. At a meeting, the men voted for an "indefinite holiday" if necessary to enforce this demand. March 15 was set to begin the stoppage.

The forty-five key men represented all shifts. A walk-out would have shut down all the open-hearths.

Before the deadline set, the company yielded and agreed to the installation of an incentive bonus to raise wages.

Details of the bonus arrangement are currently being turned out.

The president of Local 1272, Evan Jones, pointed out to the company that unrest in the department was making it difficult to "control" the men.

Workers were impressed that the men were fighting for a wage increase now, without waiting for the contract to expire in July. This militancy is in sharp contrast with the "wait and see" policy of top union officials who apparently have no plans formulated to fight for a wage increase.

The 45 are convinced that it is up to them to set the wage pattern. Unfortunately, they haven't included demands yet for the laborers in the department, so that unity of all the open hearth workers still has to be established.

Jones & Laughlin Worker.

Prod ILG Official

PHILADELPHIA

Dear Editor:

Philadelphia Waist and Dressmakers local meetings of the AFL Ladies Garment Workers are few and far between. Local 50 called a meeting the first week in March. The turnout was good, reflecting

the interest and anxiety of the people in the trade to find out what the union is doing to halt the downward trend in wages, and generally deteriorating conditions in the trade.

The manager's report always seems to be designed to talk the meeting to death. Since the people come right from work, by the time he is through with the report the people are worn out, in trances without hearing their problems discussed.

This time the gist of the report was that there isn't much work in the city, and all efforts must be bent on keeping work from going out to small towns and to New York.

He also said that New York was making all sorts of concessions to keep work in the city.

In spite of the lengthy report, most workers remained. The questions from the floor were pertinent: "Why call wage reductions 'readjustments'?" "Why not use the strength of the union as shown by its members to maintain the conditions?" "Why not a unified policy to control the trade, instead of setting up competition between various cities in the country?" "Why is the work going out to small towns even with concessions?"

The answers of the manager were angry and did not hit at the questions raised, but rather at those who raised them. He accused the members of trying to create chaos in the industry.

The problems of the trade will be solved only when the membership exert enough pressure on the leadership to change the present course of the union from one of making concessions to one of fighting back to maintain conditions.

GARMENT WORKER.

Midland Strike

DETROIT

Dear Editor:

On March 23 the Midland Steel Co. fired 11 workers in our shop

because they asked for settlement of a grievance that had been hanging fire for two and a half years. As I write this we are on strike because on the general assembly line the company tried to up the standard from 102 on the old model to 150 frames this year.

This means for us workers not only speedup but also wage cuts as we are under a group piece work system. We fought back against this, we Negro and white workers. After the company fired 11 men over this, 2,500 men walked out last Thursday.

The day after we set up a picket line, the Reuther International Union office told our local executive board that we were on a wildcat strike and that they would not support us, unless we went back to work and took a secret strike vote, then they would try to authorize the strike.

MIDLAND STEEL WORKER.

Shocked by Spellman

BRIDGEPORT.

Dear Editor:

As a Catholic trade unionist I was shocked to read about the strike-breaking actions of Cardinal Spellman in the recent gravediggers strike in New York. I have been a member of the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists for several years, but if anything has convinced me that I'm in the wrong outfit, it is this action by the Cardinal. I was in the 1946 GE strike and I know what it is to be up against the GE Company for nine weeks.

The New York grave diggers were merely asking for a 40-hour week—something we have had at GE for a long time. So, when Cardinal Spellman stepped in and escorted students through the picket line to dig the graves and break the strike, stating: "I admit to the accusation of strike-breaker. I am proud of it"—that was the last straw for me.

EX-ACTUER.

Israeli Unions Urge Battle on Inflation

TEL AVIV, April 6 (ALN).—The Federation of Jewish Labor in Israel (Histadrut) has just completed election of delegates to its seventh convention, in which 142,779 workers voted.

Princeton Paper Asks Aid for '6'

PRINCETON, N. J., April 6.—The Daily Princetonian, college newspaper, has undertaken a series of five articles to present the case of the "Trenton Six."

A front-page story on Monday entitled "Trenton Murder Trial Called Gross Injustice" described how the six Negroes were arrested following the murder of William Horner and forced to "confess." It quotes a group of Princeton students and faculty members who called the case a "gross miscarriage of justice" and the "railroading of six men to the electric chair."

The newspaper reports that the protest movement is led by Joseph Brown, assistant professor of Art and Archaeology; James V. Compton, and George R. Petty, Jr. Compton and Petty, it is stated,

"are seeking support of all campus political organizations, while Brown is trying to get backing in the town and among the faculty."

The community is divided on many things, the professor points out, "but we want to have it united on civil liberties."

The students admitted that the Communists were the "champions of civil liberties" but unfortunately weakened their own fight for civil liberties by red-baiting.

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Will Ask Removal of Trenton Prosecutor

Removal of Mario Volpe, the Mercer County prosecutor in New Jersey who led the frame-up of the six Trenton Negroes facing death on a murder charge, will be asked by a mass delegation to New Jersey. Governor Driscoll, it was announced yesterday. The delegation will visit Gov. Driscoll April 12, with a petition for the freedom of the innocent Trenton Six.

The delegation is being organized by the Civil Rights Congress, and will be led by William L. Paterson, CRC executive secretary.

"The administration of justice under Volpe," said Mr. Paterson, "has been a blot of shame on New Jersey."

In his zeal to convict six inno-

War Peril Rises, Says Togliatti

ROME, April 6.—Palmiro Togliatti, secretary-general of the Communist Party of Italy, believes that the danger of war has increased during the past six months because the imperialist powers, and particularly the ruling class in the United States have consciously started a drive towards war. Togliatti declared this at a meeting of the central committee of the Communist Party.

He gave three reasons for the war policy of imperialism: first, the dream of world domination; second, to keep the colonial nations enslaved and dependent, and third, the efforts to delay the unavoidable economic crisis under capitalism by means of boosting armament production.

Togliatti warned, however, against the fatalistic attitude that war is unavoidable. The main obstacle to an anti-Soviet war of aggression is the mighty will for peace of all nations. Therefore, fight against the war psychosis which is being worked up by all kinds of propaganda by the warmongers, who are very far off in their aim and may never reach it, he declared.

Togliatti said he attached great importance to the Paris World Peace Congress in April.

Correction

The story in yesterday's Daily Worker on the resolution of Local 301, UE-CIO, opposing the trial of the Twelve and other attacks on civil rights, incorrectly stated that the action was reported in the Schenectady commercial press. It was published by Electrical Union News.

What's On?

Tomorrow Manhattan

"HEAR AMERICA SINGING." Reserve Friday, April 8th for American Peoples' Chorus Concert and Dance. Yugoslav Hall, 408 W. 41st St. Adm. \$1.45 (tax incl.) 8 p.m.

Tomorrow Brooklyn

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Harlemites to Parade For Milk for Kids

Mothers and children will parade in Harlem Friday evening to demand that the city provide free milk to children of poor families.

The parade is being held under the auspices of the Sociedad Protectora del Hogar (Society for the Protection of the Home), affiliate of the American Labor Party in the 14th Assembly District.

College Paper Scores Texas 'Loyalty' Law

The Michigan Daily, student newspaper at the University of Michigan, last week charged editorially that "academic freedom . . . has been dealt a knockout blow in Texas" by the new law ordering an "anti-Communist purge" of all state schools.

The Texas law orders college presidents to "investigate and expel" students and teachers alleged to be Communists.

"The more new experiences and philosophies denied a student," editorialized the Michigan Daily, "the less chance will be have to gain a realistic view. No one, college students included, can be convinced of the superiority of the democratic way of life by seeing democratic processes perverted. It's up to Texas lawmakers to learn something about basic human psychology and then repeal this law which is undemocratic to the point of being facistic."

Rally to Protest Nazi Fair Here

The Metropolitan Division of the American Jewish Congress have called a rally for this evening (Thursday) at 8 to protest the breakdown of the denazification program in the U. S. Zone of Germany. The rally will be held in the Hotel New Yorker, and will also protest the opening on Saturday of the German Industries Exhibition, with Morris U. Schappes, instructor; Ancient Jewish History from the Destruction of the First Temple to the Bar Cochba Uprising, with Chaim Berman; Ancient Jewish History from the Nomadic Period to the Destruction of the First Temple, with I. B. Bailin instructing in Yiddish; and the History of the Jews in the American Labor Movement, with Morris U. Schappes.

Among the speakers will be Solomon Surowitz, Associate U. S. Prosecutor at the war crimes trial of Ilse Koch, and Dr. Robert S. Marcus, political director of the World Jewish Congress, who recently returned from a tour of Germany.

UE Demands Probe Of Trenton Six Case

A demand for an immediate investigation into the case of the Trenton Six has been made to Gov. Alfred Driscoll of New Jersey by the general executive board of the CIO United Electrical Workers, it was announced yesterday. A telegram signed by Albert J. Fitzgerald, UE president, follows:

"Our general executive board at its meeting in March, speaking on behalf of 600,000 men and women throughout our nation and Canada, urged you as Governor of the State of New Jersey to conduct a full and immediate investigation into the case of the six Negro men now facing execution in the Trenton State Prison charged with murder.

"Facts in this case indicate that these men are innocent of the crime accused. Their frame-up is part of the nation-wide hysteria launched by interests hostile to our democracy.

"Our membership, thousands of whom live and work in the State of New Jersey, call upon you for immediate action."

Four Courses in Jewish History

The School of Jewish Studies announces four history courses in its Spring term beginning Monday. They are: American Jewish History from the Civil War to Contemporary Times, Morris U. Schappes, instructor; Ancient Jewish History from the Destruction of the First Temple to the Bar Cochba Uprising, with Chaim Berman; Ancient Jewish History from the Nomadic Period to the Destruction of the First Temple, with I. B. Bailin instructing in Yiddish; and the History of the Jews in the American Labor Movement, with Morris U. Schappes.

Registration is now going on at the offices of the School of Jewish Studies, 575 Sixth Avenue.

Do your shop-mates know about "penthouse juries"? And how to fight for a democratic jury system? If not, introduce them to the Daily Worker.

Nationalities Parley May 14

The Nationalities Division of the American Labor Party yesterday issued a call to an all-day conference on Peace and Political Action May 14 at the Central Opera House, 205 E. 67 St. from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The conference will include talks by authorities on national group problems and panels on peace, civil liberties, youth problems, national group approaches in the trade unions, combatting reactionary forces in the national groups, and building political action among the national groups.

A People's Festival of songs and dances will be held the following day. Choruses and dance groups desiring to participate should mail applications to the Nationalities Division, ALP, 570 Seventh Ave.

Sweden to Sell Bearings to Soviets

LONDON, April 6 (UP)—Sweden will deliver ball bearings, roller bearings and high grade steel to Russia in exchange for fertilizers, asbestos and lubricating oils under terms of a new trade agreement, the official Soviet news agency Tass reported from Moscow today.



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Gov't Hikes Rents 12% in 11 Cities

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Rent increases ranging up to 12 percent were ordered today by housing expediter Tighe Woods in 11 small cities close to Milwaukee. At the same time, he lifted rent controls in 27 counties in five states.

The rent increases, the first to be granted under the new rent "control" law which President

Truman termed a "crushing defeat for the real estate lobby," were ordered by Woods "to compensate for increased taxes." They ranged from 3 percent in Fox Lake, Wis. to 12 percent in Watertown.

An estimated 33,800 rental units were removed from controls in

Georgia, Illinois, Maryland, Michigan and Oregon. This was the third decontrol action taken by Woods since the new law took effect. Two more actions are scheduled to be announced later this week to bring the total of decontrolled rental units to 148,000.

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Around the Globe

By
Joseph
Starobin

Churchill's Preventive War

IT TOOK the Alsops a few days, but they finally got around to it. Except for the Daily Worker, not a single American newspaper or commentator has come out clearly and said what Mr. Churchill's speech at MIT was all about. Now the Alsop brothers, whose syndicated column is published by the Herald-Tribune in this town, discover what we said several days ago.

In their words, Mr. Churchill has made "the first serious, public suggestion—dim and round-about, to be sure—that preventive action may ultimately be necessary to counter the Soviet menace." In other words, a preventive war.

Of course, Churchill made this point in a negative form. "We have certainly not an unlimited period of time before a settlement should be achieved," he said which might cause you to think that he favors a settlement. "I do not myself think that violent or precipitate action should be taken now," he continued, which might lead you to relax, even ignoring the word "now."

But the Alsops themselves admit that the real meaning of this speech would be: "Unless the Soviet Union cracks up, presumably at the time of Stalin's death, and that event somehow enables us to strangle the Soviets (which we regrettably could not do 30 years ago), then we must prepare for 'violent and precipitate action,' and we have only a limited time."

Ernest Bevin echoed the same thought when he told a Washington audience last Saturday that a settlement must be reached this year. The implication is that unless a settlement satisfactory to the Anglo-American bloc is achieved within the year, the only alternative is war.

Now, what shall Americans make of all this? For one thing, such speeches give the lie to the argument that the Atlantic Pact is defensive and non-aggressive. For here are responsible statesmen talking about "preventive wars." They even set the timetables. And they are not contradicted.

A second thing is this: if Churchill is to be taken seriously, our people are being prepared for an even more fantastically suicidal adventure than Churchill himself carried out at Gallipoli in 1915. That was his famous attempt to land at the Turkish straits, one of the major disasters of the First World War.

For it is absolutely plain that the Anglo-American Joint Chiefs of Staff cannot expect to hold western Europe against the Soviet armies, and the peoples of western Europe, if war should be precipitated within the next year.

The foreign ministers of the Brussels alliance have just decided to equip their seven available divisions within two years—if they can get arms over here.

Charles de Gaulle has just observed that France should wait and see what arms she actually gets and what practical strategic arrangements are made before ratifying the Atlantic Pact.

Sen. Walter George has just declared that for his money the only arms immediately available are leftovers from the last war.

I do not say that the capitalist powers have to be fully prepared for war in order to wage it; that would credit their intelligence too much. But the American people should realize that if Churchill is serious, he is simply proposing a vast Dunkirk.

OR IS HE only trying to play his amateur hands at a war of nerves? Is he bluffing about his timetables (while using the time to prepare for war)? In that case, the whole thing is double lunacy.

For the Soviet Union is not going to crack up. This is the old miscalculation of Soviet weakness on which Hitler, too, broke his teeth. The movements for change, led by the Communists everywhere in Europe and Asia, are not going to break up, either. Churchill does not frighten anybody in Europe or Asia by rubbing a rusty Aladdin's lamp; it is just an exhibition of complete moral and strategic bankruptcy.

To give a great nation like ours the perspective of going deeper and deeper into the quicksands may fool some Americans, but it does not wish away the hard fact that a settlement must be reached with the Soviet Union and its allies as they are today.



VIRGIL — Reason Enough



By Len Kleis

World of Labor

By
George
Morris

Tolerant Murray Charters Klan Raiders

"VULTURE UNIONISM," the practice of raiding sister unions, sunk to a new low with invasion of Alabama's "Red Mountain" area by organizers of Philip Murray's own union, the United Steelworkers of America. The target in this case is apparently Mr. Murray's pet hate, the militant International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers.

Murray has for a long time posed as one who views raiding as "reprehensible." Every raided union has a letter in its files from Murray in which he expresses his righteous displeasure with such deeds. But now his own union has taken up the practice and the national CIO directly. It is official because the test will be settled in the "field of honor" late this month in an election conducted by the American Arbitration Association. The NLRB's "services" could not be invoked because neither Mine-Mill nor Murray have qualified with the necessary affidavit signatures.

The Tennessee Coal & Iron Co. (U. S. Steel) was very considerate and agreed to deal with the union that wins. The company dealt with Mine-Mill for the 5,000 workers since the CIO's inception. But who is carrying the ball for Murray's organizers?



Press Roundup

THE NEWS is in great glee over the taxi strike situation and the "3,250 cops with nightsticks along designated streets." You can understand the operators' feelings," says the News. "We can't see either, how they owe the strike leaders any consideration or courtesy." The cartoon shows two sleek cab-owners bragging they've broken the strike. A cop in the background says, "You and who else?"

THE TIMES tries to assure the public that the North Atlantic Pact was not a blow against the United Nations, which the Times cynically agrees "is and remains both the supreme international organization and the best hope of mankind for the attainment of peace and security in liberty and human dignity."

THE HERALD - TRIBUNE admits that the "Atlantic Pact has tended to cast its shadow over the United Nations." The Tribune says "free peoples turned elsewhere to find the se-

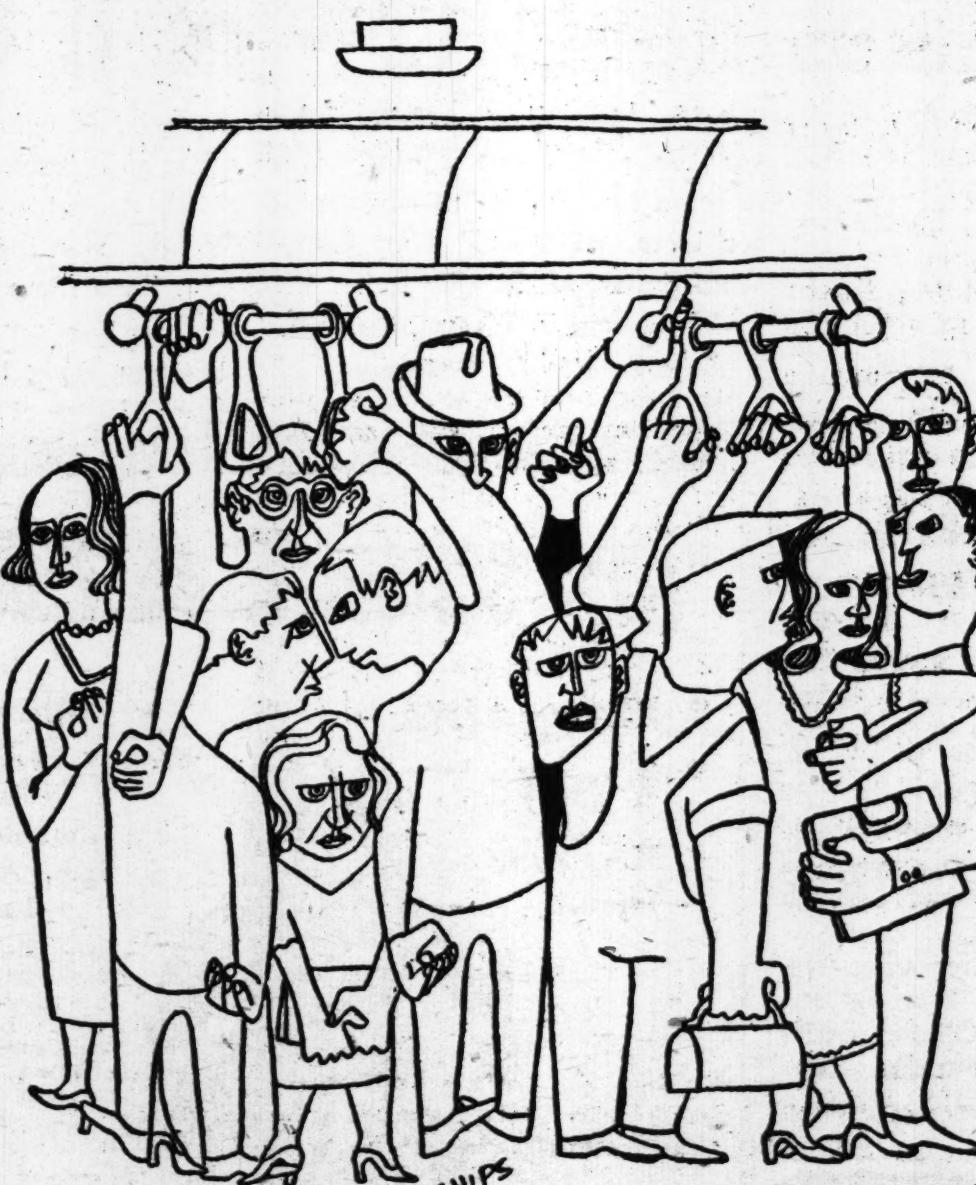
curity which they had hoped, but failed to find in the United Nations. . . ."

THE MIRROR makes the taxi strike a question of John L. Lewis and his brother Denny versus Mayor O'Dwyer and Police Commissioner O'Brien. The Mirror has high praise for the cops who've interfered in the strike and says "Don't weaken now, Bill O'Dwyer and Bill O'Brien."

THE POST'S Samuel Grafton considers the North Atlantic Pact neither warlike nor peaceful, but an instrument through which either peace or war can come.

THE SUN'S George E. Sokolsky calls for coordination of our Empire affairs, those countries under our control overseas.

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM continues its paper war against the Chinese Communists. It seems to be able to whip up more war spirit than Chiang Kai-shek can.



"To be or not to be, that's congestion."

THE MAIN LINE of agitation by the CIO-chartered "Popsicles" is to appeal to the whites on a race supremacy basis. They think this would attract a majority of the whites. Meanwhile, bribery and other tricks are tried in an effort to break the solid loyalty to Mine-Mill among the Negroes, along with kidnappings, beatings and like forms of terror.

Chief leader of the "Popsicles" and now a paid representative of the steel union is one Van D. Jones, who was twice defeated as candidate for board membership in Mine-Mill. Jones was an active campaigner for Dixiecrat Congressman Laurie Battle, who is also an ardent upholder of the Taft-Hartley Law and opponent of everything labor ever wanted passed.

The CIO's Southern Organizing Drive must be in a bad way if it has to look for the kind of pickings the "Popsicles" offer. It would be interesting to hear from Haywood, Murray or director Van A. Bittner of the southern "drive." What possible excuse could they have for so rotten a tactic? Perhaps they will "explain." Mine-Mill made public a letter sent them by nine officers of the Red Mountain locals putting them effectively on the spot. They write:

"If the CIO intends to cooperate with and encourage this kind of policy in the South simply because you do not like some of the leaders of our union; if the CIO intends to encourage raiding, hoodlum-violence, the promotion of race hatred and discrimination and company unionism as part of the drive against our union, then we say to you you are 10 times worse than the giant corporation we have to fight; for you have stabbed us in the back and have betrayed every principle upon which not only our labor movement, but our democratic government itself is founded." Amen, Brothers!

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T-H Too 'Liberal' for Them

HEARTENED by the Administration's appeasement policy and the do-nothingism of most labor union leaders, the Congressional bi-partisan coalition is pressing the Wood bill. This measure even surpasses the Taft-Hartley Law as a weapon against labor. It is based on recommendations made by a joint congressional committee of the 80th Congress to "tighten" the T-H provisions and eliminate such "loopholes" as might have been overlooked by Taft and Hartley.

No chance, you say? Don't be so cocksure. The Wood bill is sponsored by the same coalition that killed civil rights and crippled rent control. Those forces showed they were able to muster a majority on some measures.

But assuming that the Wood bill can be stopped, its introduction is designed as a club to whip the Administration's supporters into line for something that will be in effect the Taft-Hartley Law under a new name.

This may be accomplished by shooting the Administration's Thomas-Lesinski bill for repeal of T-H full of crippling amendments. The original objective, voiced so many times by the President and his congressional associates, would be forgotten. As it is, only the Marcantonio Bill is confined to the simple proposition of repeal of T-H and restoration of the Wagner Act. The Truman bill opens the door wide to amendments.

A vigorous drive for restoration of the Wagner Act is the only effective answer labor can give to this newest bi-partisan move.

Only demonstrations from coast to coast and visits of angry and aroused unionists to Congressmen home for Easter can block further Administration appeasement to reaction.

The Administration mustn't be permitted to get away with a cover-up of itself by blame on the "Dixiego" coalition. The government's own ineffectiveness and appeasement of reaction strongly supports the charge that actually there is a bi-partisan coalition to put over a renamed Taft-Hartley Law.

The President must be told in no uncertain terms that labor will not accept a "better than Taft-Hartley" measure. It should insist on repeal, and a return to the Wagner Act.

Sword Over UN

THE UN opens with a sword hanging over it.

The sword is the Atlantic War Pact, laughably called a defense pact.

A defense pact means that somebody faces aggression or has been attacked.

Where is the nation in the Atlantic Pact which faces aggression or has been attacked? Portugal? France? Britain? The United States?

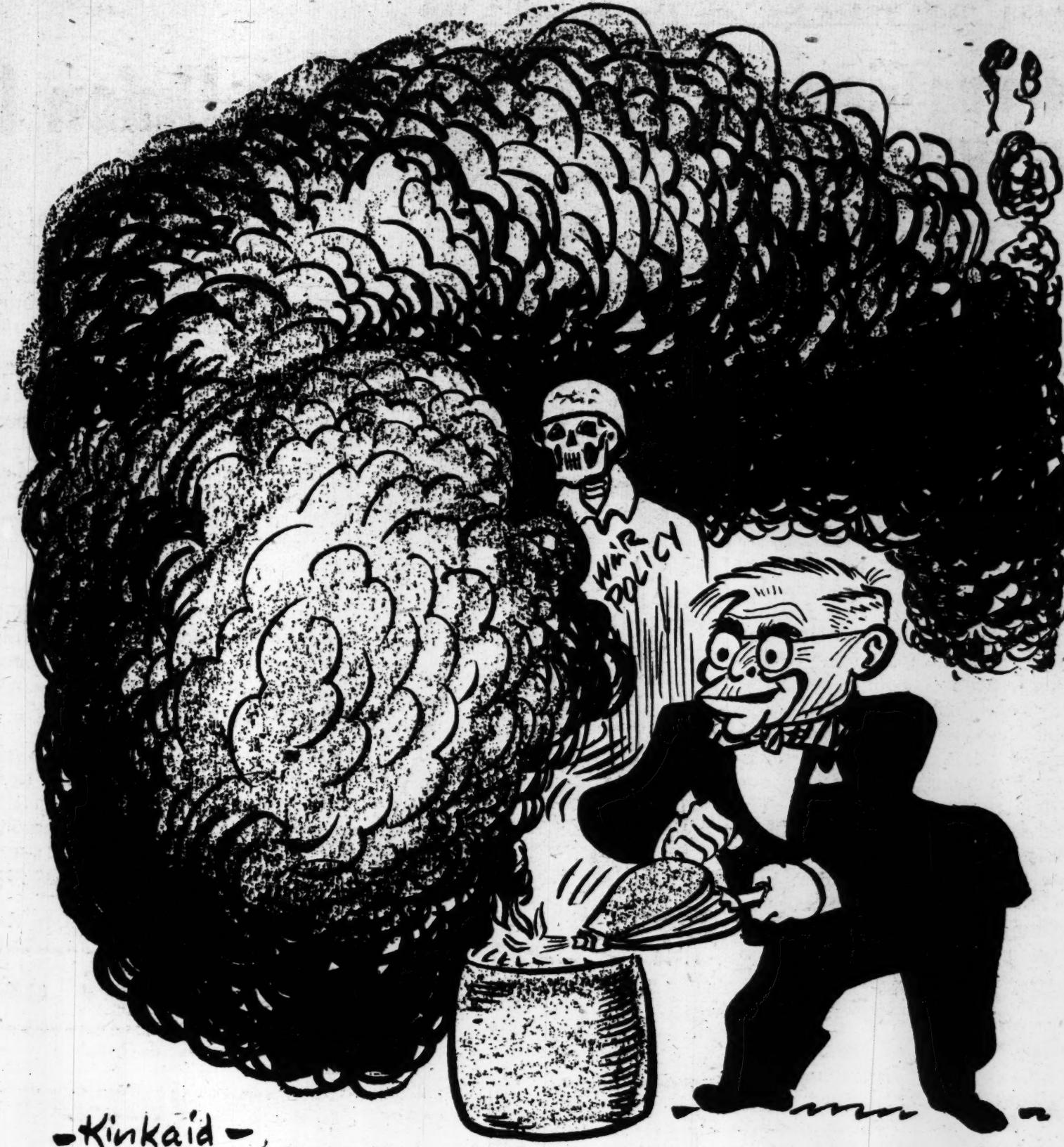
General Bradley says we need the Atlantic Pact and the atom bomb to save us from an attack "from the East." That means the socialist Soviet Union. This was Churchill's feeble alibi for hinting at the need for a "preventive war." The "Soviet aggression" fake was the alibi of the Berlin-Rome-Tokyo Axis. The "cold war" sponsors have not added a single syllable to its debunked propaganda.

Far from facing any aggression, most of the nations in the Atlantic Pact are themselves waging aggression. Britain is waging war against the people of Burma. France is attacking Indo-China. Holland is murdering Indonesians. The Greek people have been invaded by American generals guiding fascist troops using American guns and bullets. This is a pact of aggressors.

Not a single Soviet soldier, by contrast, is engaged in armed action anywhere in the world. On the contrary, the Soviet Union urges the withdrawal of all its troops from Germany, if the USA will do the same. It urges that its own armies and armaments be reduced by one third, if the other big powers will do the same. It urges UN world inspection of all atomic plants including its own, if atomic war will be outlawed and atom bombs destroyed.

To all this, Washington replies with bigger and wider war alliances which openly flout the UN and all it stands for. No smooth talk will deceive the peoples of the world as to who is undermining the UN and its purpose of maintaining world cooperation. This is the time for America to stand up to the warmakers and say "Halt! Stop your war plots. Instead of an Atlantic War Pact we want an American-Soviet peace meeting."

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Letters from Readers

Jimcrow In the Opera

NEW YORK
Editor, Daily Worker:

If "music is the international language" why, or why do we not raise our voices in unison to protest the deplorable jimmie conditions at the Metropolitan Opera House.

I have repeatedly protested to Edward Johnson, but to no avail. are gifted artists like Paul Robeson, Kenneth Spencer, and Marian Anderson not given their rightful places in "Otello," "Aida" and other operas—or any other operas?

Have we really and truly made an effort to wipe out discrimination at the Metropolitan Opera House?

I have submitted this question to the Texas Oil Co., the sponsors of the Saturday opera matinee broadcasts. Needless to say, the question was never raised.

MARY LEVY

Unemployment In Lawrence

LAWRENCE, Mass.
Editor, Daily Worker:

Your readers may be interested in the current unemployment situation in Lawrence, Mass., which has a population of about 90,000 (86,000 by the 1940 census.)

Total labor force is approximately 33,000. Total number of unemployed as of March 12 is 15,632. The week of March 6 to 12 alone saw 3,030 new claims.

The total textile labor force is approximately 24,000. The total number of unemployed in the textile industry is approximately 13,000.

You can see from the above figures that we have a grave problem. I wouldn't be surprised if Lawrence ranked among the leading cities in unemployment.

F. BELFOR

Treatment At Foley Square

BROOKLYN, N.Y.
Editor, Daily Worker:

Monday, April 4, I went to Foley Square to see for myself

how the "Heresy Trial" was coming along. At 9:30 I tried to get in line to get into court when it convened at 11 a.m. A special guard told me no more were allowed in line. The court holds 70 spectators—about 50 were then in line.

At 12 o'clock I was back in the line, the first one! Twenty minutes later a guard tells me he's sorry, but he got orders not to let me into court. I asked why. He says that was his orders.

Then he spoke to the captain and came back and tells me it's a mistake. I could go in.

From 12:30 I waited and finally got in. After the first hour, a short recess was called. Most of the people in court went out for a smoke, so did I.

Outside a special cop called me back into the courtroom and asked if that was my coat on the bench. I told him it was. He said, "Pick it up and get it!" I asked why. No answer except "Get it" and a readiness to use "force and violence."

On my way out someone who had noticed what was happening to me all morning, put it plain: "Don't you know why?" he asked. "You're wearing a button that says 'Repeal T-H—March May 1'!"

This is the atmosphere that the 12 Communist leaders are being tried in. The corridors, the courtroom, the judge—all exude a lynch hysteria.

M. MILLER

Who Gets ERP Cargo

NEW YORK
Editor, Daily Worker:

I recently returned from a trip to African ports and mentioned to some friends that European Recovery Program cargo went to the well-to-do colonials and not to the natives. They were all surprised by this information which is common knowledge to all seamen that carry cargo not only to Africa but to all colonial ports.

The bulk of the cargo we carried last trip to Africa was E. R. P. flour that we unloaded at French West and Equatorial ports. This flour did not go to the natives who earn about 20 cents per day and cannot afford

bread. Their staple is rice. Could it be that we are wandering for support of colonial exploiters all over the world?

AMERICAN SEAMAN

Urge Sale of Foster Pamphlet

DENVER, CO.
Editor, Daily Worker:

I have just been reading Elizabeth Gurley Flynn's new pamphlet entitled "Labor's Own William Z. Foster."

To those who are not acquainted with Foster's 50 years in the labor movement, we must sell them this pamphlet. I am confident that people will see more clearly why Foster and the other Communist leaders are on trial.

I work in a packinghouse and I am going to sell as many copies as I can to the people I work with, for I am sure they will enjoy reading about the militant struggles Foster led in building our packinghouse union. The Communist Party's record is a glorious one. Let us bring it to the people. And good work, Elizabeth Flynn!

PACKINGHOUSE WORKER

For a Women's Peace Petition

NEW YORK
Editor, Daily Worker:

The other night a group of five women were discussing the letter from Gerhart Eisler which appeared in last week's Daily Worker. We were thrilled by his report of the petition signed by 5,000,000 women in eastern Germany, calling for peace and the abolition of the A-bomb.

We feel that the women of the world can prevent a possible new war if they will speak out now to stop this devastating scourge.

Why not initiate a similar petition campaign such as Gerhart Eisler described right here in our own country? Such a petition would get not just 5,000,000, but five times 5,000,000 signatures from the women of America who want peace just as much as their sisters all over the world.

GROUP OF WOMEN

Peiping Gives Big Welcome To CP Heads

PEIPING, April 6 (NCNA).—Mao Tse-tung, head of the Chinese Communist Party, General Chu Teh, commander-in-chief of the People's Liberation Army and other leaders in the Chinese people's victorious war of liberation, received a tumultuous welcome from massed delegations of people from all walks of life—workers, women, youth, intellectuals, peasants and units of the People's Army—when they arrived in liberated Peiping on March 25.

On March 26, at a great meeting of welcome on Peiping's West Airfield, Mao Tse-tung and Gen. Chu Teh, looking fit and well, shook hands and chatted with workers' delegations, representatives of peoples organizations and leading democratic figures. The 400 delegates of the First All-China Women's Congress, now in session here, took the day off from their discussions to greet their leaders.

After the meeting, the official party inspected units of the People's Liberation Army lined up 12 deep on the four sides of the field with an impressive display of weapons and equipment, tanks, trucks, howitzers, guns and light arms. As the official party drove slowly by, the people's fighters stood smartly at attention, but as soon as the first open car had passed carrying Mao and Gen. Chu, a great wave of cheers broke out and cries of "Long live Chairman Mao and General Chu followed them around the field and echoed back from the nearby mountains. Hundreds of parachute flares floating above the heads of the crowd added to the gaiety of the scene.

Chicagoans Assail Ban On Peace Delegates' Tour

By Ruby Cooper

CHICAGO, April 6.—The State Department ban on the scheduled tour of Soviet and Eastern European delegates to the recent peace conference has come under sharp attack here.

A group of the visitors, including Soviet composer Shostakovich, was scheduled to address a large rally here this Wednesday, and the ban drew immediate widespread protests.

Sponsors for the rally include some of Chicago's most prominent educational, scientific and church figures. One of the sponsors, Prof. Robert Havighurst of the University of Chicago, denounced the ban as a move to prevent free discussion on the issue of world peace.

Chicago Sun-Times columnist Kenesaw Landis declared the State Department's action is an effort "to seal the Russian and American worlds from each other, and to make any kind of friendly contact impossible."

In a series of columns, Landis hit the smear campaign unleashed on the New York peace conference and charged that "the State Department deliberately set out to discredit the meeting as Communists-inspired."

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He observed that "one of the most dangerous things you can do these days is to organize a meeting to discuss the possibility of peace between the United States and Russia."

The State Department's refusal



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Toledo's Answer

TOLEDO, O.—At the same time when the Progressive Party urged the city administration to set up municipal work projects for the unemployed, the administration dropped more than 100 employees from the payroll.

Hat Union Leaders Win a 'Victory'

By Bella Altshuler
(Millinery Worker)

In the last number of the Hat Worker, on Page One, there was a headline with huge letters—"Union Won Victory in Court Against a Blocker." From the headline one would think worker had a case in court against the union because the union forced him to belong to the union in violation of the Taft-Hartley Law or something to that effect. Nothing of the sort took place.

Here is what the Hat Worker reported—that a blocker named Wilfund demanded from his former boss, Ira Katz Hat Co., back wages of \$3,849. He claimed he worked there for over three years for prices below the agreement. The firm refused to pay and the case went to court. It took almost two years until the case came up.

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When it began to look as though the firm might have to pay, it took in a partner, none other than the union. The firm issued a summons for the union to appear in court and the union sent its lawyer, Louis Waldman.

Waldman took the stand to de-

fend the company. He argued the shop committee had settled prices willingly, even though the prices were lower than the agreement provided for. When Judge Hofstater saw that the boss and the union were against the worker, what was the Judge supposed to say? He was also against the worker. The union proclaimed this loss by the worker as a victory for the union.

From now on it seems that a shop committee has the power to settle prices below the agreement and no one can protest. This is the union's victory!

Brother Wilfund is a member of Blockers Local 42, of the Millinery Union, and chairman of the executive board of his local.

The union tries to give the impression that blockers make \$18 per day the year around. This is not the case since the work is very

seasonal. While our work week is 35 hours, blockers do not get overtime until after 40 hours.

As a worker in the millinery industry, I would like to state that our work is skilled and physically hard, especially blocking. The blockers work in terrible heat under steam. They have to pull felts, straws and all kinds of materials by hand over wooden blocks. Not many people can work too many years in this trade. There is one shop I know which had eight blockers. In the last six years, four became disabled, one died at work and three are sick.

Even in the old days when there was no union, the bosses used to offer high wages to get workers who were willing to work at such difficult, complicated work. The blockers always made more than the other workers in the trade. This is not so today.

Last year there were many blockers who made less than \$2,000.

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Peiping Democrats Protest Persecution of Overseas Chinese

PEIPING, April 6 (NCNA).—Thirteen leading figures of the democratic movement now in Peiping have issued a protest against the persecution of Chinese in Southeast Asia by the British and other imperialists. They also denounced the Nanking Kuomintang government and its special service agents in Southeast Asia for aiding these imperialists in their persecution of overseas Chinese, many of whom on their return to China have been arrested, jailed and even tortured by the Kuomintang reactionaries.

The statement charges that the British Government in Malaya has adopted a more brutal policy towards overseas Chinese than did the Japanese during their occupation.

After the Emergency Law was

Italian Colonies

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applications have yet been received though spokesmen for the Somail Youth League and the Moslems of Libya are expected to ask for hearings.

DULLES PLAN

The Dulles plan, which has a minimum of real United Nations supervision in it, consists of the following:

- Britain shall be left in control of Cyrenaica as the trustee power under the same kind of trusteeship that Britain now holds in other African colonies.

- Italy shall be granted Italian Somaliland on the east coast of Africa outright with no trusteeship provisions.

- Ethiopia is given an outlet to the Red Sea through an eastern portion of Eritrea including the ports of Asmara and Massawa.

- The future of the western provinces of Eritrea is left open.

- Most important, the strategic colony of Libya on which the United States now has an air base at Mellha, is to become part of the trusteeship system, but under the "care of a state or states which have demonstrated the capacity and will to develop independence."

At the steering committee debate this morning Katz-Suchy insisted that placing the Mindszenty and similar cases on the agenda would interfere with the internal affairs of Hungary and Bulgaria. He denied that the Declaration of Human Rights or the UN charter had been violated by the punishment of these criminals and noted that the United States penal code for "conspiracy" was much more sweeping than the Hungarian.

Warren Austin of the United States, sensitive to the Polish objection, proposed that the Bolivian-Australian motion should be amended so that the prosecution of Mindszenty could be called a violation of the peace treaties. The Polish spokesman, who said that any Assembly debate would only fan war hysteria, replied that the treaty signatories could take the matter up elsewhere if they wished, but it did not belong in the United Nations.

Pickets to Protest
German Exhibit

Two picket lines will protest the German industrial show at the Museum of Science and Industry, 49 Street and Avenue of the Americas, on Friday night and Saturday morning. The protest actions are under the auspices of the Joint Committee to Combat Anti-Semitism.

The Friday night picket line at 8 will be timed with a preview of the exhibit while the major picket line on Saturday at 10 a.m. will mark the show's opening.

2 MARSHALL PLAN COUNTRIES IN CUT-RATE SHIPPING WAR

ROTTERDAM, April 4 (ALN).—British and Dutch shipping lines have begun a cut-rate war for the carrying trade between Europe and Indian and Pakistan ports.

Dutch shippers are now making an offer to take on cargoes in British ports at freight charges that are lower than those charged by British companies. Eleven British shipping lines have countered by announcing they will compile a virtual blacklist of British manufacturers exporting their products on Dutch vessels. Such manufacturers, the British shipping companies say, will no longer be allowed certain customary privi-

leges such as the "deferred commission" arrangement.

The Anglo-Dutch shipping war is only one evidence of the fierce export trade competition that has begun among west European Marshall Plan countries. Another is the race between Britain and western Germany, which is recovering industrially at a greater rate, to occupy foreign export markets. Both British and German goods are now competing with American goods throughout the world. A textile export war is beginning between Britain and Japan in eastern Asia.

TAKE PROTEST TO JUDGE MEDINA



A delegation from the New York County Communist Party protests to Federal Judge Harold Medina his refusal to accept a deposition from ailing Communist national chairman William Z. Foster. Left to right: Ben Simonovsky, press director; Armando Roman, waterfront organization secretary; Mercedes Arroyo, Lower Harlem organizer; Josh Lawrence, waterfront organizer; Juan Emmanuelli, editor, "Liberacion"; Esther Cantor, legislative director; Everett Thomas, Harley youth director, and Herbert Wheeldin, Harlem region organizer.

—Daily Worker photo by Peter

Planted FBI Stoolee Called in Trial of '12'

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the fact that they based themselves on the philosophy of Marxism-Leninism.

Through the fable of "AESOPIAN language," Budenz tried to put over the bunk that Marxism-Leninism was secret Communist lingo meaning "violent overthrow of the government."

NAILS TALE

The defense nailed one of Budenz's tales during the final stages of cross examination, though Judge Medina would not allow the material in the record. Attorney Sacher exposed Budenz's nonsense about "orders" from Dmitri Manuilsky, Ukrainian leader, to American Communists about criticizing their government's foreign policy. Manuilsky was supposed to have given these "orders" at the U.N. San Francisco Conference, according to Budenz.

Sacher showed Manuilsky got to San Francisco where he represented his government on May 6, 1945, and the Daily Worker was criticizing certain actions of the U.S. delegation to the conference well before then.

The testimony of Philbrick consisted largely of descriptions of Communist organization in Boston, specifically of the professional group to which he belonged, the setup in that area when the Communist Party was reconstituted, etc.

HUNT HEADLINE

In the final minutes of the day's session, just as Judge Medina was about to call it quits, the government engaged in its usual stunt of providing the morning press with headlines.

It got Philbrick to "testify" about a class he took to train in as a Marxist-Leninist teacher. In typical stool-pigeon style, he gave a thoroughly distorted, made-to-government-orders definition of the meaning of the word "revolution."

Much of the material introduced through Philbrick unwittingly showed the Communist movement as thoroughly democratic, with branches submitting convention resolutions on policy and with all Party members who were not delegates invited to attend as visitors.

Sacher opened the proceedings by reading the additional passages from Communist Chairman Fos-

ter's private letter of January, 1944, which appeared in the Daily Worker before May 6, 1945, the date on which Manuilsky arrived at San Francisco.

"Only partially," Budenz answered, and then started another phony propaganda harangue.

Sacher cut him short by appealing to the judge to keep the witness to the question. The judge reluctantly ruled that "only partially" was a sufficient answer, but needed Sacher about giving the witness a chance to explain the answer.

QUOTES STAROBIN

Sacher then offered a copy of the Daily Worker of May 3, containing an article by UN correspondent Joseph Starobin sharply critical of U.S. policy at San Francisco, and specifically of UN admission of pro-Fascist Argentine.

Sacher tried in a variety of ways to phrase questions which would permit the article in evidence and which would show that it appeared before Manuilsky's arrival at San Francisco, thereby contradicting Budenz's nonsense about "orders."

In his questions, which were not answered because of objections, Sacher got his point across. This criticism included U.S. support of Argentina's entry, which, Sacher's questions revealed, was shared also by former Secretary of State Cordell Hull.

Many Dutch Unions To Stay in WFTU

AMSTERDAM, March 31.—Despite withdrawal of Dutch delegate Evert Kupers from the executive bureau of the World Federation of Trade Unions, carried out jointly with James B. Carey of the CIO and Arthur Deakin of the British Trades Union Congress, one Dutch union federation will stay within the WFTU.

The Dutch Unity Trade Union Federation, with 170,000 members, said it would not only remain in the WFTU but would use its influence to defy the split in the world union movement, "made under pressure of imperialist interests."

Unity Federation leaders stressed that the proof of the sincerity of labor in a colony-owning country like Holland lies in its attitude toward the struggles of colonial workers. International labor solidarity obliges Dutch workers to support the workers of Indonesia against Dutch imperialists, the leaders said.

Ted Tinsley Says

WATCH THE BIRDIE!

ROGER TORY PETERSON, ornithologist, told a New York Herald-Tribune reporter that Americans are taking up bird-watching in increasing numbers. I knew this was so ever since I read the story of a few Wall Street brokers who arrive early in the financial district each day to watch birds. This equips the brokers for the great tasks of the day, and they feel morally strengthened as they sell short.

Peterson revealed that bird-watching is more significant than I imagined. It is "an antidote for the disillusionment of the postwar world." It is a "return to reality rather than an escape from it."

"Birds," declaimed Mr. Peterson, "are perhaps the most eloquent expression of reality." When the birds hear this, they're going to get mighty cocky.

The Herald Tribune continued:

"He (Mr. Peterson) said that wherever he goes about the country he finds people who have been 'sleepwalking in a world that is highly artificial' are now turning to birds. He advocated bird-watching as a help in combating the fashionable neuroses of our times. He did not, however, recommend birds as a substitute for psychiatrists in extreme cases. . . . It all depends on how great your problem is," he said. "Beyond a certain point even the birds can't help."

ALL THIS MAKES sense of a sort. I know that if I had my choice of turning to Truman or turning to the birds, the orioles better make room right now, and I am sure psychiatrists will welcome Peterson's statement that woodpeckers should handle only the milder cases.

The key to understanding the importance of bird-watching lies in Peterson's statement that "it all depends on how great your problem is."

For small problems, it is imperative that you watch sparrows. Sparrow-watching is easy, efficient, and not affected by seasonal change.

If you have medium-sized problems, I would suggest that you stare at woodpeckers, jays, and robins (you'll have to go to Miami with them for the winter), and if the problems do not improve, try parrots.

Those with large problems will do well to watch hawks, vultures, eagles and condors.

This is a simple outline for beginners. Partridge- and pheasant-watching is for advanced students.

PETERSON'S THEORY is even more widely accepted than he himself imagines. Thousands of New Yorkers recently tried—with some success—to stabilize world affairs by giving Churchill the bird when he arrived on these shores.

According to the Herald Tribune, "the Middle West is the country's greatest hotbed of bird-watching." How quickly we go from hotbeds of subversion to hotbeds of thrushes! Here you can see the unsettling effects of Colonel McCormick on the local population.

Before Mr. Peterson left New York, a reporter asked him if birds have helped him in adjusting himself to his environment.

"Through birds," said Mr. Peterson, "I've made a halfway peace with society, but not entirely." He's made his halfway peace with society by getting halfway out of it. If only he could fly—but that wouldn't work either. Even the birds have to come down sometimes.

Hollywood:

World-Telly Solicits USSR Film Ads But Refuses to Review Them

By David Platt

DAVID FINE, Manager of the Stanley Theatre writes:

Dear Dave Platt,

Here is an excerpt from a letter I sent to the World-Telegram (in answer to a solicitation for Stanley Theatre advertising). The W-T, you may not know, has put itself on record as refusing to review any and all Soviet-made films. One reason advanced was "the lack of interest on the part of its readers to anything cultural stemming from the USSR and specifically, films." (Dave Fine's letter to the W-T follows:)

Dear Sirs:

You request that I should advertise the Russian films which I play at the Stanley. You state that even though the W-T policy prohibits the reviewing of Soviet films in its amusement pages, yet your paper will agree to accept paid ads for these same films. You state that one reason for your paper's refusal to cover and review Soviet films is because your readers are not sufficiently interested in these films to take up the space of a review. But you are willing to accept my paid ad. Please tell me, sir, if your readers are not sufficiently interested in Soviet films to read a review by your supposedly unbiased and unprejudiced critic (as of course all critics are) then by what stretch of your imagination would they be interested in reading my paid and definitely biased ad? (Biased because since it's my picture and I like it well enough to play it, I like to talk about it.)

No, my friend, I think that if your readers are not interested in reading my film reviews, they are not interested in reading my ad. Personally, I don't think that's the reason at all for your paper's refusal to cover Soviet films. And I don't think you believe it either. And I also think your readers know the true reason. And your editor talks about censorship and suppression "behind the Iron Curtain!"

Sincerely,
DAVID FINE.

NUNALLY JOHNSON, the Hollywood screen writer and producer

who is something of a wit recently announced a list of fees he is charging for auditioning new musical talent for his coming film "Everybody Does It." Johnson's charges run something like this: Listening to basso profundo, \$5. Submitting to two minutes of lyric tenor, \$30. Remaining within earshot of coloratura soprano, \$150. Maintaining respectful attitude during bel canto, \$500. Turning up hearing aid for Swiss yodeler, \$1,000. Bracing windows, chandeliers and ash trays

for all fortissimo effects, \$1,000. Refraining from resorting to mayhem with boy sopranos, \$5,000.

ACADEMY AWARD LAUGHS:

(1) The 'Oscar' won by the Special Effects Department at RKO for developing a new method of simulating falling snow on motion picture sets. (2) The 'Special Oscar' to Walter Wanger for 'distinguished service to the motion picture industry for the production of his picture (yes, that beat up film) 'Joan of Arc' . . .

Today's Film:

'Bride of Vengeance' Embarrassing Movie

PAULETTE GODDARD is Lucretia Borgia in *Bride of Vengeance*, the new Paramount movie which opened yesterday. If you stopped anyone and told them that, chances are they would respond with shrieks of laughter. But sitting through it

Bride of Vengeance. Paramount. Produced by Richard Maibaum. Directed by Mitchell Leisen. Story by Michael Hogan. With Paulette Goddard, John Lund, MacDonald Carey, Albert Dekker. At the Paramount.

is something else again. It is ridiculous without being funny.

We do not know much about the Borgias nor about the Italian states of the Renaissance, but we do know Hollywood and whatever research was done for *Bride of Vengeance* must have taken place in the studio story department and not in libraries. It appears that Lucretia is a kittenish girl, devoted to her brother, who believes that her second husband was murdered by the democratic Duke of Ferrara and not by her brother Cesar. Cesar concocts this plot because Ferrara is geographically in the way of his conquest of Venice and Florence.

BUT THIS democratic Duke of Ferrara is casting a cannon, a scientific innovation, and marries Lucretia to temporize until he can perfect his cannon. Here the story department supplied one of its oldest gimmicks—the little accident that discovers radium for the Curie, the oversight of Paul Muni-Louis Pasteur that helps him isolate a microbe. An accidentally cast cannon is dropped in the moat and lo! it cools perfectly.

Now everyone knows that Lucretia was no angel but Paramount has managed a happy ending nevertheless. The cannon works; Lucretia gives up poisons, having seen the benefits of democracy; and we see her at the end ready to enjoy its benefits by consummating her loveless marriage with the Duke of Ferrara.

The painter, Titian, says at one point, "I am concerned with Art not with the world." We don't believe the real Titian said it but the movie one must have. The samples of his work we are allowed to see are the kind of illustrations done for magazines around the turn of the century. *Bride of Vengeance*, as phony and embarrassed as a high school pageant, is itself concerned only with the box office.

—J. Y.

An Interview With Cuban Poet Nicolas Guillen

By Jose Yglesias

"THE CONFERENCE for peace has shown me that here in North America there are important democratic forces," Nicolas Guillen, the beloved and famous Cuban poet, told us at his hotel. "Of course, there exists those same powerful forces that have killed and subjugated our people, but for a Latin American, with all the ill feeling that imperialism has aroused in us toward the Yankees, this has been a heartening realization."

Guillen did not have much time to speak to us (a reporter from a Haitian newspaper waited near us to interview him) and he spoke quickly, urgently, this short time that he had for us comparable to the short week's time he could spend here. We told him that he had a lot to teach us. "No, no," he said with a quick gesture, "I am here to learn. I want to look around and try to understand."

He spoke in Spanish, in a rich, melodic voice whose dignity, like the beauty of his poetry, was not impaired by the laughter and humor that broke out of him constantly. He would throw his head back and smile throughout the conversation and he spoke with the directness and intimacy that has made his poetry loved by all the Spanish people of the earth. In the days of Machado, the Cuban dictator, when a large oppressive army was maintained there, he would characteristically, like the true poet tearing down the barriers of communication between people, begin a poem: "I do not know why

you think, soldier, that I hate you, when we are the same thing—you, I."

ALTHOUGH GUILLEN'S poetry is known mainly among literary people in the United States who have found a marvelous new imagery and rhythm in it, in Cuba and in South America it is sung and recited everywhere. He told us that he spent from 1945 to 1948 touring Central and South America. He went from city to city, stopping everywhere, reading his poetry and paying his way with the money people paid to hear him. "I entered through Central America and came out through Brazil in three years," he laughed.

"You here must learn that we Latin Americans are not backward. We know what imperialism is, we are very involved in democratic struggles. I would like to see North American writers come and visit us more and more. But they must be honest men and they must have a desire to learn," Guillen insisted. "No more coming to Cuba for seven days and writing a book of 300 pages when in reality 300 days may only suffice to write seven pages. You must not come down with the idea that we are only rhumba dancers. We are not just a source of entertainment and sugar." He added gently, "That is imperialism."

IN THESE DAYS, for example, Guillen told us, there have been two cases in which this attitude has aroused the Cuban people. There were the United States sailors who desecrated the monument to Jose Marti, the father of the Cuban Republic. And then

there was the one of Mr. Wallace, the reporter, whose "easy living" was pictured at length in Life magazine. The Wallace article, Guillen said, was an insult to Cuban women and there have been many protests by women's groups.

Wallace has been expelled from the Havana Press Reporters Association because of it.

Guillen, a Negro, began his career as a journalist. Today he is an editor of Hoy, the second largest daily in Cuba. Proudly he told us that he had run for mayor of Camaguey in 1942 and recently campaigned for the Senate from Havana. His life, as his poetry, has been one of complete involvement in the life of the people. He is a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba.

He doesn't find this extraordinary. He smiled as we tried to get a quote from him on the subject. "Well, it cannot be escaped," he said. "I said in my speech at Carnegie Hall that in other days an ivory tower might escape shell fire. But today it surely will not survive a bombardment. A poet must be close to the anxieties, problems and the hopes of his people. Ours is a political epoch. A writer cannot be beyond the margin of politics. He may think he is, but his writing will reflect his position in the struggle whether he wants it to or not."

"Today, too, the poet must fight against the degeneration of his art. Please write that down," he said. "For the very reason that he writes for the people, he must think of his forms, he must be concerned with beauty. One must give the people the best. They will not take

less. I believe that it is a duty for the poet to see that there is beauty in his work. Flat, characterless, expressive words—to write for the people does not mean that one does without elegance and beauty."

"After all," Guillen said, with a persuasive lift of his shoulders, "a bad poem is never worth a good manifesto. There is that little story they tell of Lenin. He was taken to an art exhibition and his companion was surprised to hear him say that it was horrible. But this is the work of revolutionaries, the man protested. Yes, Lenin said, they are revolutionaries but they are not artists."

GUILLEN'S own poetry is rich with the speech of the people and with the rhythms of their music. Just as Garcia Lorca's poetry is impregnated with the cadences of Spanish guitar music so is Guillen's with the "son," the popular and most indigenous music form of the Cubans. His latest book "El Son Entero" (The Complete Son), in which all his poetry has been gathered into one volume, has a musical supplement. In 1937 on his way to Spain Guillen visited Paris for the first time. One night he went to a night club and found the orchestra playing the rhumba "Negro Bombon" from one of his poems. "I have tried in my poetry," he says, "to incorporate the rhythm of the 'son' with the old ballad forms of Spain."

We told him that at a writer's congress in Mexico years ago a friend of ours had heard a large audience call to him to recite his poetry. He did until he could remember no more and then some one from the audience threw him

a volume of his poetry and he continued. Guillen smiled. "That was the time when I first visited the United States. I came from Mexico through the South on my way to Europe and Spain. And please put this down," he interrupted to urge as he did when he felt strongly about something. "My experience with the treatment of the Negro in the South has been the most repugnant to me."

"You cannot, of course, talk to us of democracy while you have the system you have here of treating the Negro. No one will believe in the democracy of the United States. It is not the progressive American people, but already we know how our own country has been made semi-colonial, semi-independent and semi-free."



'Chips' Exhibits at Arts & Ends Studio

An exhibition of drawings and wood carvings by 'Chips' Wilson has opened at the Arts & Ends Studio, 58 W. 55th St., N.R.C. Daily 10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. through May 13.

Thoughts on the Cultural Struggle 4.

Communist Party and 'Formalism' in USSR

(The Fourth in a Series)

By Barnard Rubin

THE FACTORIES are owned by the people in the Soviet Union, and production is for use, not for profit. But the Soviet workers have the biggest and most alert trade union movement in the world, and there's always one way the directors of a big plant can be sure to buck up against the local union, be called "bureaucrats," be criticized at open meetings and be the subject of indignant letters in the press.

Just let these directors neglect to provide for the cultural needs of the workers — no library, no musical instruments, no theatre for the factory, etc. — and they'll be spanked publicly until they come across, or there'll be new directors. Culture is an integral part of the Soviet worker's life.

HERE is a people, led by its Communist Party, which has fought hard and passionately for its culture and against its enemies and has only recently suffered seven million deaths and untold suffering in its defense.

To a people like this, "art for art's sake" is an obvious contradiction in terms. When the Central Committee of their Party, in its criticisms of artists who were tending in that direction, said, instead, that art is for the people's sake, there was, of course, only whole-hearted agreement.

TO A PEOPLE which had struggled heroically to achieve a really cultured society, art (meaning all the arts: literature, music, etc.) which ignored this people, their real life, their strivings, their hopes, their development, was bad art — no art at all.

Such an art was empty. It could concentrate only on form; and no matter how skilfully this was done it would still be lifeless. It was form without content, or without much content — "formalism" is the word — and of possible interest only to a small number of technicians in the field who might want to toy around with it. When the Central Committee criticized formalism, the people approved. They had no use for an art which had no use for them.

FORMALISM, the Soviet people knew, had been running riot in capitalist countries. It flourished there, among other reasons, because of capitalism's increasing isolation of the artist. Divorced from the people, he turned inward — into his craft and played with it. Thus Gertrude Stein, Surrealism, and a thousand and one other variations.

It was inevitable that formalism became an enemy of the people. Indifferent to them and their problems, the formalist artist usually had to depend on wealth for either patronage or support. Whenever there was content in formalism it inevitably in most cases absorbed the viewpoint of the ruling class. For example, Gertrude Stein, so well known for her obscurity, becomes clear as a bell when praising fascist Marshall Petain or condemning Communism.

IT DIDN'T take the ruling class long to catch on: soon formalism was being seen or heard not only by small groups of intellectuals, but was infecting every cultural medium which reached the people. Formalism, it was obvious to the Money Gang, would never teach the people why they're badly off, who's to blame, and encourage them to unite to do something about it. Not by a long shot.

BUT WHY, the Soviet people wanted to know, were they running up against it in the Soviet Union. Here there was the greatest mass audience for artists the world had ever seen, here the artist was dependent on no wealthy class or commercial exploiter — here he had complete security.

A socialist society, Karl Marx had written, necessarily emerges from a capitalist society and "is thus in every respect . . . and intellectually, still stamped with the birthmarks of the old society from whose womb it comes." To achieve a higher state of society, the Central Committee therefore stated, these relics, including formalism, would have to be dropped.

IT SHOULD NOT be forgotten that the complete elimination of capitalist elements from the economic life of the Soviet Union was not claimed by the Communist Party there until 1936, when the new Constitution was adopted. It is no wonder, therefore, that remnants of the influences of capitalism in the world of ideas, art, philosophy, etc., are still around to hinder the unparalleled cultural achievements of the Soviet Union.

The Party pointed to the remains of this influence, that the criticized artists at the time had failed as yet to completely outgrow, as the major factor in the weakening of their work.

(To be continued next week)



A scene from the stirring new Italian film 'Osterey' at the Avenue Playhouse.

Books:

'Without Magnolias,' Mature Novel of the Southern Negro

By John Hudson Jones

BUCKLIN MOON has written a good novel about life in the South that won the George Washington Carver Award for outstanding writing by or about American Negroes.

If he had not attempted to portray the "whole panorama of the

WITHOUT MAGNOLIAS, by Bucklin Moon. Doubleday, New York, 274 pp. \$3.

Negro's world" as the blurb correctly declares, *Without Magnolias* would have undoubtedly taken its place among the finest contemporary novels.

Moon sets out to tell the story of the Mathews, a Negro family in a little Florida town during the last war as they struggle for education, dignity, and react to the hideous oppression of the South. But the side issue of the novel becomes the most compelling, as Moon portrays with stern sympathy the craven, belly-crawling, Ezekiel Rogers, president of a rundown Negro college. With the same thoroughness Moon exposes, in the character of Cal Thornton, editor of a "liberal" paper, the cynical dishonesty of his kind toward Negroes.

IN THIS NOVEL Moon has grappled realistically with the idiom of Southern Negroes, but many of his devices, such as leaving the "g" off the present participles like goin', doin', etc., give the dialogue a contrived dialect effect. This however is an interesting problem of form to be tackled by American

writers, particularly Negroes — just how to recreate the complex and colorful idiomatic speech of the Negro people.

Moon gives the reader a fleeting glimpse of hundreds of aspects of southern life. There's the Negro soldier being brutally beaten by civilian police because he dared be a man. There's Bob Giddings, a hotel boss, who maintains the southern myth when he tells bellhop Luther Mathews, "Two things in the world I won't stand for. One is an uppity n----- and the other is a n----- that looks at a white woman."

There is the constant idea of finding a haven of freedom in the North. But when Alberta Mathews comes to New York her problem wasn't solved. She simply escapes the harsher forms of Jimcrow.

This degrading assault on Luther's dignity caused him to quit and get a job in the newly opened shipyard, where he joins the CIO, eventually being elected an official by the Negro and white members.

IT IS UNFORTUNATE Moon did not portray at length the relations between the Negro and white workers, or that indeed this was not the central theme of his book. For this reason, however powerful and exciting he draws the raw groping of the Negro and white workers as they gravitate toward the union, it is lost in the myriad threads of his complex fabric.

One of the most dramatic and believable passages of the novel is the most political — when a Ne-

gro answers from the Jimcrow section of a union meeting, a white worker who made an anti-Communist speech.

And when George Rogers, a wounded veteran is accused by his father of wanting to work with Communists because he applies to the CIO for a job he answers, "No, not particularly. I want to work with people who will help the Negro and also help all the people. If some of them are Communists, I can't help that."

The college president and the white editor both agree that the Negro people "have to learn to crawl before they can walk." Rogers says so because he's a spineless man caught in the rotten system of segregated education, and Thornton, because married as he is to the daughter of the hideous, vulgar but richest old white supremacist in town, actually doesn't want to attack the real enemies of the Negroes.

So Rogers in moments of self-reproach and private anger, writes articles which he later tears up, and Thornton, a member of the board which holds the money bags for the college, forces Rogers to fire Eric Gardner, an outspoken militant young teacher at the college.

Moon could have written a more compact and thus more powerful novel. One thing is certain though, here is a book that will make the Lester Grangers, Walter Whites, Mark Ethridges and Ralph McGills squirm when and if they get courage enough to see themselves as others see them.

Around the Dial:

Town Hall Denny Prepares For His Tour Abroad

By Bob Lauter

IN PREPARATION for his European and Asiatic tour with the Town Meeting of the Air, (a tour blessed by the State Department), Town Hall has cabled Premier Stalin for permission to hold a session in Moscow this summer. Said Mr. Denny, "We think we have a much better chance of going to Russia since the World Peace Conference here because

delegates from Eastern Europe were allowed in the United States."

Mr. Denny is an amazing man. When you believe he has reached the depths of hypocrisy, he always surprises you by descending one step lower. Does he want Town Meeting representatives to receive the same reception in Moscow which American officials accorded delegates to the Peace Conference from Eastern Europe? Or does he understand that Pravda and other Soviet newspapers will not ape the News, the Mirror, and even the Post (behind Thackrey's back) in calling for mass violence against visiting delegates? Would he like to be greeted by signs telling him to jump out the window or simply drop dead? Probably not. In the extreme arrogance which always seems to accompany State Department sanction (witness the case of Norman Cousins), he would probably demand bouquets and banquets in return for the insults and downright vulgarity which our officials heaped on Eastern European delegates.

The self-righteous Mr. Denny, who has given his platform to at least one self-avowed fascist but denies it to Communist representatives, now demands — in the name of democracy — that the Soviet Union open its doors to an imperialist advertising campaign. Mr. Denny may have heard that there are many Communists in Moscow who can hardly be expected to welcome a man whose assistant has stated that "adherents to the Communist Party cannot, by defi-

nition, express views which are their own honest views . . ."

Mr. Denny has yet to discover that the majority of the world does not welcome his kind. He is delaying that discovery in China by selecting the city of Canton as the scene of his Town Meeting there. Will he reach Canton on time?

JOHANNES STEEL, commentator and publisher of Report on World Affairs, has returned to a regular broadcast schedule. Steel, who was a commentator on New York stations for more than ten years until two years ago, is now heard twice weekly, Tuesdays and Thursdays, over WLIB (1190 kc.) at 7:00 p.m. Steel's program will doubtless add to the pitifully small list of progressive commentators on the air today. His program will also offer periodic interview with notable figures in national and foreign affairs.

In addition to his own broadcast, Steel, as publisher of Report on World Affairs, will sponsor a thrice-weekly program of news commentary by Williams S. Gilmor over WLIB, on Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. and on Sundays at 4:00 p.m.

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AFTERNOON
12:00—WNBC—Charles F. McCarthy WOR—Kate Smith Speaks WJZ—Welcome Travelers WCBS—Wendy Warren—Sketch WNYC—Midday Symphony WQXR—News; Luncheon Concert 12:15—WNBC—Metropolitan News WOR—Aunt Jenny's Stories 12:30—WNBC—Norman Brokenshire WOR—News; The Answer Man WJZ—News; Herb Sheldon WCBS—Helen Trent 12:45—WCBS—Our Gal Sunday 1:00—WOR—Luncheon at Sardi's WNBC—Mary Margaret McBride WJZ—Party Time WCBS—Big Sister WNYC—String Music WQXR—News; Midday Symphony 1:15—WJZ—Nancy Craig WCBS—Ma Perkins 1:30—WCBS—Young Dr. Malone WOR—Hollywood Theatre 1:45—WCBS—The Guiding Light WJZ—Dorothy Dix 2:00—WJZ—Breakfast in Hollywood WOR—Queen for a Day WCBS—Double or Nothing WCBS—Second Mrs. Burton WQXR—Record Review 2:15—WCBS—Perry Mason 2:30—WOR—Today's Children WJZ—Bride and Groom WOR—Passing Parade WCBS—Nora Drake WQXR—Curtain at 2:30 2:45—WNBC—Light of the World WCBS—What Makes You Tick? 3:00—WNBC—Life Can Be Beautiful WJZ—Ladies Be Seated WCBS—David Harum

WQXR—News; Recent Releases
3:15—WNBC—Ma Perkins WCBS—Hilltop House 3:30—WNBC—Pepper Young WOR—Best Girl WJZ—House Party WCBS—Robert Q. Lewis Show 3:45—WNBC—Right to Happiness 4:00—WNBC—Backstage Wife WOR—Barbara Welles WJZ—Key Kyser WNYC—Disk Date WCBS—Hint Hunt WQXR—News; Symphonic Matinee 4:15—WNBC—Stella Dallas 4:30—WJZ—Patt Barnes WCBS—Winner Take All WOR—Johnny Olsen Show WNBC—Loren Jones WNYC—Disk Date 4:45—WNBC—Young Widder Brown WCBS—Beat the Clock WJZ—Eleanor and Anna Roosevelt 5:00—WJZ—Green Hornet WOR—When A Girl Marries WCBS—Galen Drake WOR—Straight Arrow WNYC—Sunset Serenade WQXR—News; Today in Music 5:15—WOR—Straight Arrow WNBC—Portia Faces Life WQXR—Modern Rhythms 5:30—WOR—Captain Midnight WNBC—Just Plain Bill WJZ—Jack Armstrong WCBS—Hits and Misses WQXR—Cocktail Time 5:45—WNBC—Front Page Farrell WOR—Tom Mix

EVENING

6:00—WNBC—Kenneth Banghart WOR—Lyle Van WJZ—Joe Hassel WNYC—Guest Star WCBS—Eric Sevareid WQXR—News; Music to Remembers 6:15—WNBC—Bill Stern WOR—Bob Olson, Interviews WJZ—Ethel & Albert WCBS—Talks 6:30—WNBC—Wayne Howell Show WOR—News Reports WJZ—Edwin C. Hill WCBS—Herb Shriner WNYC—Veterans' News Service 6:45—WNBC—Three Star Extra WCBS—Lowell Thomas WJZ—Allen Prentiss WNYC—Weather; City News WOR—Stan Lomax

RADIO HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday, April 7

PM
6:30 - Herb Shriner. WCBS
8:00 - Radio X. WNYC
9:00 - Al Jolson Show. WNBC
9:00 - Suspense. WCBS
10:00 - Screen Guild Players. WNBC

10:30 - Robert Shaw Chorale. WJZ

11:30 - Deems Taylor Show. WOR

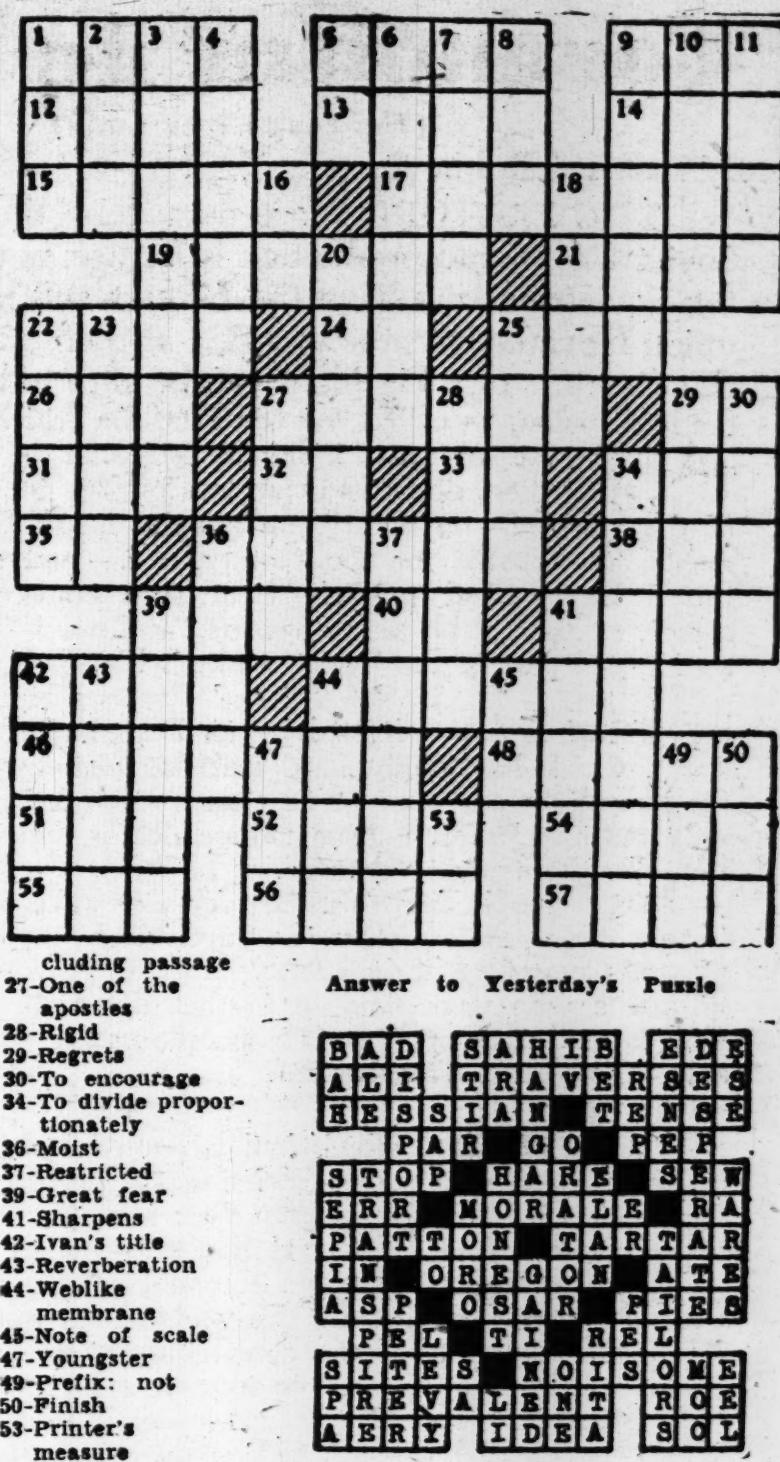
TV

8:00 - Variety Show. WNBT

8:30 - Actors Studio. WJZ-TV

WCBS—Playhouse
WQXR—News, Showcase
10:30—WNBC—Fred Waring Show

WOR—The Symphonette
WJZ—Robert Shaw Chorale
WCBS—First Nighter—Play

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AMBASSADOR—@Jenny Lamour ASTOR—Knock On Any Door AVENUE PLAYHOUSE—@Ostert BIJOU—@Red Shoes CAPITOL—City Across the River CRITERION—@Set Up ELYSEE—@Marius; @Fanny; @Cesar FULTON—Jean of Arc GLOBE—Impact GOTHAM—Lady of Burlesque LOEW'S STATE—@Take Me Out to the Ball Game LITTLE CARNegie—@The Quiet One LITTLE CINEMET—Wandering Jew MAYFAIR—@Casablanca MUSEUM OF MODERN ART—The Golem; Cabinet of Dr. Caligari NEW EUROPE—Welcome to Ireland NEW YORK—Duke of Chicago; Loaded Pistols PALACE—@So Dear to My Heart PARAMOUNT—Bride of Vengeance PARIS—@Symphonie PASTORALE PARK AVENUE—@Hamlet RADIOW CITY MUSIC HALL—Connecticut Yankee RKO PALACE—I Shot Jesse James RIALTO—Daughter of the West RIALTO—Mob Town; Hit the Road ROXY—The Fan STANLEY—@The Watch; @Ivan the Terrible STRAND—Kiss in the Dark VICTORIA—Jean of Arc WORLD—@Last Step 5TH AVENUE PLAYHOUSE—Fear No Evil 55TH ST. PLAYHOUSE—@Monsieur Vincent

East Side

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn ARCADIA—Accused; Countess of Monte Cristo ART—Pygmalion BEVERLY—Day of Wrath; @Antoine and Antoinette CHARLES—Accused; Night Time in Nevada CITY—Art of Love; Bedroom Diplomat GRADIE SUARE—Accused; Countess of Monte Cristo GRAMERCY PARK CINEMA—Man of Evil IRVING—@La Maternelle; @Chapayev LOEW'S CANAL—@Snake Pit; Variety Time LOEW'S COMMODORE—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love

LOEW'S 42ND ST.—Wake of Red Witch; Hills of Home LOEW'S 72ND ST.—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love LOEW'S LEXINGTON—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love LOEW'S 86TH ST.—@Snake Pit; Variety Time LOEW'S ORPHEUM—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love NORMANDIE—Every Girl Should Be Married PLAZA—@Snake Pit RKO JEFFERSON—@Snake Pit; Variety Time RKO PROCTORS 55TH ST.—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn RKO PROCTORS 86TH ST.—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn SUTTON—Quartet

TRANSLUX 60TH—Young Mr. Pitt TRANSLUX 72ND ST.—Sidewalks of London TRANSLUX COLONY—Accused; Heading for Heaven TRANSLUX MONROE—@Snake Pit; Variety Time TRANSLUX 86TH—Unavailable TRIBUNE—@Letter to Three Wives; Bungalow Thirteen TUDOR—@Letter to Three Wives; Bungalow Thirteen YORK—Soaps; Miraculous Journey 5TH ST. PLAYHOUSE—@Four Steps in the Clouds 54TH ST.—@Letter to Three Wives; Bungalow Thirteen 55ND ST. TRANSLUX—@Letter to Three Wives 60TH ST. PLAYHOUSE—@Letter to Three Wives 65TH ST. TRANSLUX—@Letter to Three Wives 66TH ST. GRANDE—Kitty Foyle; Crazy House

West Side

ALDEN—Cross Frie; Men Are Not Gods APOLLO—Woman of Evil ARDEN—Words and Music; Range Beyond the Blue BELMONT—Revanche BEACON—Lost One; @Holiday CARLTON—Man of Evil; Black Arrow COLUMBIA—Sabotur; @Corvette Kit-223 DELMAR—La Blanche Somme As!; Reves de la Nuit EDISON—Hatters Castle; Shock ELGIN—Man from Colorado; Black Arrow GREENWICH—@Letter to Three Wives; Bungalow Thirteen LAFFMOVIE—Our Relations LYRIC—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love LOEW'S OLYMPIA—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love LOEW'S ISRD ST.—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love LOEW'S LINCOLN, 80.—The Bribes; Kissing Bandit

NEW AMSTERDAM—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn LOEW'S SHERIDAN—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love NEMO—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn MIDTOWN—Man of Evil; Sidewalks of London RIVERSIDE—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn RIVIERA—The Bribes; Kissing Bandit RKO NEW 23RD ST.—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn RKO COLONIAL—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn RKO 81ST ST.—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn SELVYN—@Snake Pit; Variety Time SAVOY—@Snake Pit; Variety Time SELVYN—Unavailable SQUIRE—@True Glory; Burma Victory STUDIO 65—@Das Perdene; Ova Esta Cancion SCHUYLER—@Adventures of Don Juan; Flaxy Martin STODDARD—The Bribes; Kissing Bandit SYMPHONY—Mary of Scotland THALIS—@Tragedy Hunt; Backstreets of Paris TERRACE—The Bribes; Kissing Bandit TIMES SQUARE—Isle of Forgotten Sins; Crashing Through TIVOLI—Kidnapped; Strange Mrs. Crane TOWN—@Golden Bay; @Mr. and Mrs. Smith YORKTOWN—@Snake Pit; Variety Time WAVERLY—The Bribes; Kissing Bandit 8TH ST. PLAYHOUSE—@Snake Pit 77TH ST.—@Snake Pit

Washington Heights

ALPINE—La Vie de Boheme; Carmen AUDUBON—Honeymoon; Claudia and David DORSET—Sabotur; @Corvette K-225 DALE—Wake of the Red Witch; Hills of Home EMPRESS—Broadway Limited; Red Show GEM—Fardon My Barong; In the Navy HEIGHTS—Forever Amber; Second Chance LANE—@Snake Pit; Variety Time LOEW'S INWOOD—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love LOEW'S DYCKMAN—@Snake Pit; Variety Time LOEW'S 175TH ST.—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love RKO RIO—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love RKO HAMILTON—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn RKO MARBLE HILL—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn UPTOWN—@Snake Pit; Variety Time

Harlem

ODEON—The Bribes; Kissing Bandit RENAISSANCE—The Bribes; Kissing Bandit ROOSEVELT—@The Snake Pit; Variety Time

BRONX

ASCOT—Marius; Portrait of Innocence ALLERTON—Accused; Countess of Monte Cristo BEACH—Three Girls in Blue BEDFORD—@Man from Colorado; Black Arrow CIRCLE—Force of Evil; Southern Yankee CONCOURSE—Two Smart People; Rage in Heaven DE LUKE—@EH EH; Jolly Paupers EARL—@Snake Pit; Variety Time FENWAY—@Adventures of Don Juan; Flaxy Martin FREEMAN—Bandit and the Lady; Having Wonderful Time GLOBE—Words and Music; Hollow Triumph LIDO—Magic Bow; @Nicholas Nickleby LOEW'S AMERICAN—Wake of Red Witch; Hills of Home LOEW'S BOSTON ROAD—Enchantment; Sixteen Fathoms Deep LOEW'S 167TH ST.—Wake of Red Witch; Hills of Home LOEW'S PARADISE—Command Decision; Henry the Rainmaker LOEW'S POST ROAD—Wake of Red Witch; Hills of Home MOSHULU—Wake of the Red Witch; Hills of Home PARK PLAZA—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn RITZ—Queens Necklaces; Redhead RKO CASTLE HILL—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn RKO CHESTER—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn RKO FORDHAM—Criss Cross; Fighting O'Flynn ROSEDALE—Accused; Mary Lou SUARE—Accused; Countess of Monte Cristo VALENTINE—@Snake Pit; Variety Time ZENITH—@Green Fields; Kol Nidre

BROOKLYN—Downton

BELL CINEMA—@Palace; Sealed Verdict CARLETON—One Sunday Afternoon; Whiplash FOX—He Walked By Night; Crime Doctor Diary LOEW'S METROPOLITAN—Cough; @Palace Incident LOEW'S MELBA—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love MAJESTIC—Passionate; @Temptation NORWELL—Hollow Triumph; High School Days PARAMOUNT—Alma Nick Boni; In This Corner RKO ALBEE—Down to the Sea in Ships; Trouble Prevailed

RKO ORPHEUM—Wings Over Honolulu; Magnificent Obession

RKO PROSPECT—One Sunday Afternoon; Whiplash

RKO SHORE ROAD—Accused; Countess of Monte Cristo

SANDERS—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love

STRAND—@Red Pony; Moonrise

ST. GEORGE PLAYHOUSE—Enchantment; Sixteen Fathoms Deep

TERMINAL—I Wonder Who's Kissing Her Now; @Drums Along the Mohawk

TIVOLI—Port Said; Palpituous Waters

LINCOLN—Eternally Yours; Hangman Also Dies

NATIONAL—Sabotur; @Corvette K-225

SAVOY—One Sunday Afternoon; Whiplash

Crown Heights

CARROLL—Man from Colorado; Black Arrow

CROWN—@Adventures of Don Juan; Flaxy Martin

CONGRESS—@Snake Pit; Variety Time

LOEW'S KAMEO—Once Upon a Honeymoon; Michael O'Halloran

LOEW'S PITKIN—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love

LOEW'S WARWICK—Enchantment; Sixteen Fathoms Deep

RKO REPUBLIC—One Sunday Afternoon; Whiplash

ROGERS—@Adventures of Don Juan; Flaxy Martin

STADIUM—Sabotur; @Corvette K-225

Flatbush

ALBEMARLE—The Bribes; Kissing Bandit

ASTOR—October Man; Take My Life

AVALON—The Bribes; Kissing Bandit

AVENUE D—@Adventures of Don Juan; Flaxy Martin

AVENUE U—@Adventures of Don Juan; Flaxy Martin

BEVERLY—Enchantment; Sixteen Fathoms Deep

CLARIDGE—@Drums Along the Mohawk; Capucabana

COLLEGE—@Letter to Three Wives; Bungalow Thirteen

ELM—The Bribes; Kissing Bandit

FARRAGUT—The Bribes; Kissing Bandit

FLATBUSH—@Sister Kenny; Where Do We Go From Here

GRANADA—Enchantment; Sixteen Fathoms Deep

KENT—@Stagecoach; @Long Voyage Home

KINGWAY—One Sunday Afternoon; Whiplash

LOEW'S KINGS—Whispering Smith; My Own True Love

LEADER—The Bribes; Kissing Bandit

LINDEN—The Bribes; Kissing Bandit

MARINE—One Sunday Afternoon; Whiplash

MAYFAIR—Enchantment; Sixteen Fathoms Deep

MIDWOOD—One Sunday Afternoon; Whiplash

NOSTRAND—Enchantment; Sixteen Fathoms Deep

PARKSIDE—@Cesar; Quiet Weekend

PATIO—Enchantment; Sixteen Fathoms Deep

QUEEN—Force of Evil; Southern Yankee

RKO KENMORE—One Sunday Afternoon; Whiplash

RIALTO—Enchantment; Sixteen Fathoms Deep

RUGBY—@Adventures of Don Juan; Flaxy Martin

TRAYMORE—@Adventures of Don Juan; Flaxy Martin

TRIANGLE—Eternally Yours; Hangman Also Dies

VOGUE—@Cesar; Quiet Weekend

Brighton—Coney Island

See Browns 6th --Zach Disagrees

(This is number 14 in a United Press series estimating the big league teams as they shape up in training.)

Manager Zach Taylor of the St. Louis Browns has set his sights on a first division berth this year, but the feeling is general in the baseball world that he is aiming too high.

Taylor is optimistic.

"We're better than we were in 1948," he claimed, "but I'm not going to say how we're going to finish. Our team has the spirit and fight that carries a young club to victory, but many of our kids are inexperienced and they may make mistakes. But I think we'll do all right."

Last year, when he started his first full season as pilot of the Browns, he insisted his club was better than the 1947 team and "we won't finish last." He turned out all right as a prophet for the Browns came in sixth.

Despite a wholesale house cleaning, that is the spot most experts are assigning to the Browns this year. They definitely look superior to the Senators and White Sox, but they do not measure up to the "have" clubs in the league—the Red Sox, Indians, Yankees, Athletics and Tigers. But they do look the best of the "have nots."

They have only two established major leaguers—third baseman Bob Dillinger and second baseman Gerry Priddy—a host of promising rookies and a long line of castoffs who couldn't make the grade with other major league clubs.

Jack Graham, who failed to make it as an outfielder with the Dodgers and Giants, appears to have won the first base job from Henry Arft, who hit only .238. Two other fellows who never have quite been able to make the grade are vying for the shortstop post—Ed Pellegrini, who hit only .238 with the Browns last year after the Red Sox let him go, and John Sullivan, a .208 hitter with the Senators.

So the infield brilliance of Dillinger and Priddy isn't likely to make up for the shortcomings at first and short.

In the outfield, Al Zarilla, who enjoyed his best season last year when he hit .329, and Dick Kokos, have won regular berths. Kokos hit .298 with the Browns after they brought him up from Toledo. For the other spot there are Paul Lehner, who has shown signs of getting back to the form he displayed in 1947 when he appeared headed for stardom, and Whitey Platt, who hit .271 with the Browns last season.

Les Moss and Sherman Lollar, a Cleveland and Yankee castoff, will share the catching duties.

Pitching is thin with Cliff Fannin, who won 10 games while losing 14 last year, expected to be the No. 1 man on the staff. Taylor will choose his other starters from among Ned Garver, Red Embree, Karl Drews, Bob Savage, Dick Starr, Bob Malloy and Bill Kennedy. All except Savage and Garver have failed in previous trials with other clubs.

Back of them are Tom Ferrick as the chief fireman with Ray Shore, who also failed to stick in previous trials, and Irv Medlinger and Joe Ostrowski battling for the other berths. Ostrowski won four games for the Browns last season.

Gonzales After Net Grand Slam

Richard Gonzales today planned an ambitious schedule in his quest to add international titles to his three national tennis championships.

America's leading amateur tennis player just won the National Indoor Championship at New York to become the first player to rule this country's amateur game on grass, clay and wood at the same time.

After a series of Southern California tune-up tournaments and one at Houston, Tex., the rangy, 190-pound Gonzales will fly to Paris to play in the French National Championships in May. This will be followed by a trip to England to seek the world's tennis crown at Wimbledon in his campaign for a "grand slam" on the courts.

"I'm playing better now than I ever did before, and I have more confidence," Gonzales said. "I don't know how my game will be affected when I get to Europe."

Flying back from Europe, Gonzales will use his siege-gun service and thundering volley to defend two national titles he won last year. First will be the national clay-court championships in Chicago July 9-17, then he will go east for the grass season which will be climaxed by his defense of the Nationals at Forest Hills, N. Y.

The late Judge Landis freed

Time to Stop Confusing Hinrichs With Henrich!

YOUNG YANKEE HURLER HAS STENGEL IN DILEMMA

Pitcher Paul Hinrichs, the New York Yankee farmhand, sounds like the hottest unknown to hit the grapefruit circuit since Pistol Pete Reiser showed up in the Brooklyn camp in 1940 and rattled base hits all over the lot. Nobody believed Reiser could be that good, so Pete went back to the minors for another year. The same thing may happen to Hinrichs, but you can't ignore those 14 goose eggs he has hung on the scoreboard this spring against strictly major league opposition.

The St. Louis Cardinals, Detroit Tigers, Boston Braves and Red Sox and the Philadelphia Phillies have had a crack at the 23-year-old right hander and nobody has been able to chisel a run off him yet.

Manager Casey Stengel has only a couple of weeks to decide whether to rush Hinrichs to the majors or send him down to Kansas City, which holds his contract. The Yanks put the rush act on Bob Porterfield last summer before that particular youngster was ready and the experience may persuade Casey to let Hinrichs mature out on the line.

Up to today, however, Hinrichs has been almost as sensational as Reiser in the spring of '40.

A recent headline said: Hinrichs, Henrich Enrich Yankees.

And it might have added through the courtesy of the baseball commissioner.

Both Hinrichs and old reliable Tommy Henrich started their professional careers with other clubs, were declared free agents by the commissioner after investigations of alleged contract irregularities and signed with the Yankees for fancy bonuses.

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Hinrichs from the Cleveland chain. Hinrichs was cut loose from the Detroit organization by Chandler.

So they have a lot in common besides a similarity of last names.

Hinrichs, the son of a Lutheran minister at St. Louis, was a divinity student at Concordia Seminary when the baseball bug bit him. He developed into a 180 pounder, six feet, one inch tall and the Tig-

ers signed him in 1946.

At Lubbock, Tex., in 1947, Hinrichs won 18 and lost five, then moved to Dallas last year where he won nine and lost eight.

The Yankees finally got him as a free agent and signed him to a bonus contract at Kansas City. The Yankee scouting report says, "good fast ball, fair curve and a great competitor."

According to Florida reports, his "fair curve" has sprouted wings this spring and it is being hailed as the best on the Yankee staff. So say the Yankee catchers.

Time will tell, but it appears the Yanks have found something.

Miller Is Phil Regular at 2nd

ATLANTA, Ga., April 6 (UP)—Eddie Miller, who made his mark in the majors as a shortstop, today was named regular second baseman of the Philadelphia Phillies by manager Eddie Sawyer.

"If Miller had started out his career as a second baseman he would have been one of the all-time greats," Sawyer said. "Now he is learning a new position which is one of the hardest to master on the infield and he is picking it up quickly. He isn't the best second baseman in the National League—but he isn't the worst by a long shot. When he gets the knack he'll be one of the best."

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Results, Entries, Al's Picks

JAMAICA RESULTS

FIRST—6 furlongs; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,500.

Best Effort (Scurlock) 7.50 3.80 2.30 Michigan Kid (D'sayre) 3.80 2.40 Final Touch (Pasmore) 2.30

Also ran—Sir Harry, Comanche Peak, The Dervish. Time—1:13 3-5.

SECOND—6 furlongs; maiden, 3-year-olds and up; \$4,000.

A-Good Egg (Guerin) 3.80 2.60 2.70

Pr'ts Thump (Gorman) 5.70 4.40

Bar Sinister (P'more) 2.70

Also ran—Mossy Face, New Nation, Idio, Luremenow, Blue Thanks, Hobab Barone, The Blues. Time—1:15 2-5.

A-A. G. Vanderbilt entry.

(Winner Picked by Al)

DAILY DOUBLE PAID \$23.00

THIRD—6 furlongs; allowances; 2-year-olds; \$4,500.

Hi. Ginnis (Atkinson) 7.00 3.50 2.60

Yogi (Arcaro) 3.70 2.90

Inaccessible (Bernhardt) 3.30

Also ran—Super Salesman, Carryall. Time—1:03 1-5.

(Winner Picked by Al)

FOURTH—6 furlongs; claiming; 3-year-olds; \$3,500.

Galloping Gus (D'sayre) 3.70 2.70 2.30

Fair Degree (Saunders) 3.70 3.00

Black Rover (Weingart) 5.30

Also ran—Transfuent, Blue Regent, High Peerless. Time—1:18.

(Winner Picked by Al)

FIFTH—6 furlongs; claiming; 3-year-olds; \$3,500.

*Psychic Scamp 1.08 Braggadocio 1.18

Vinette 1.18 *Gingham 1.13

Mr. Syracuse 1.23 *Pitfall 1.13

*Chip Reef 1.16 Jubilee 1.13

Dainty Breeze 1.08 Bombease 1.18

Bunty Imp 1.15 *Jhansi 1.19

Shifty Play 1.15

SEVENTH—6 furlongs; claiming; 3-year-olds; \$3,500.

*Custody 1.14 Dreamer 1.19

Teddy Rose 1.13 Dreamer 1.09

Tiger Flash 1.13 Teaneck Dandy 1.15

Jack Madigan 1.15 **Stepinthedark 1.08

Montage 1.19 *Free Transit 1.16

Excitemen 1.21

SIXTH—6 furlongs; Added The Apache Handicap; 3-year-olds and up; \$3,500.

*Sugar Drop 1.17 Maid of Oz 1.17

Flaming Lady 1.17 *Glory Song 1.07

Fascination 1.09 *Greene Green 1.07

*Mrs. T. Christopher Entry.

FIFTH—6 furlongs; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,500.

White Wine 1.13 a-Safe Arrival 1.07

*Custody 1.14 Dreamer 1.19

Teddy Rose 1.13 Dreamer 1.09

Tiger Flash 1.13 Teaneck Dandy 1.15

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*Miss Carolina 1.06 *Penny Dreadful 1.12

*Piping By 1.08 Halcyone 1.17

Pity 1.13 Black Chiffon 1.13

*Maruch 1.16 Ascona 1.17

Danger Ahead 1.13 Latest Vogue 1.17

Jazz Baby 1.13 Kidded 1.12

*Quixotic 1.12

EIGHTH—1 1-16 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,500.

Flying Mike 1.12 Burt's Reward 1.19

*Bright Kid 1.18 Brag Rags 1.17

Invitation (Rogers) 7.00 24.00 17.90

Quaker (Schmidl) 5.00 4.80

Flight Nurse (Picou) 10.00

Also ran—Poxy Jack, Lennie Boy, Misabi, Lanky, The Kicker, Fleet Command, Rose Canyon, Sason and Esterita. Time—1:52 1-5.

EIGHTH—1 1-16 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,500.

Challenge Like (McCry) 3.20 2.30

Mr. McGregor (D'V'hys) 3.00

Also ran—Chips Down, Rinaldo, Storm Hawk and Martial. Time—1:48 2-5.

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A'S RAP SANFORD TO END YANK SKEIN 6-1

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., April 6 (UP).—Yankee manager Casey Stengel's psychology which worked once, backfired today when the Philadelphia Athletics hopped on Fred Sanford for a 6 to 1 victory that ended a six-game New York winning streak.

Brooks Farm Fonda, Rickey to See Leo

TULSA, Okla., April 6.—Dee Fondy, who only a short time ago was being hailed as the new Dodger first baseman was sent back to Fort Worth, Brooklyn's Texas League farm club today, indicating that the club definitely intends to close a deal for a first sacker.

The club now has only one first baseman on hand, Gil Hodges, who batted only .250 last year after being converted from a catcher.

Branch Rickey, Jr., who has been trying to swing some kind of a deal with the New York Giants, conferred with his father, Branch Rickey, Sr., the Dodger president today. Rickey, Sr., is leaving tonight for Sacramento by plane but said he would go first to Fort Worth, Tex., to confer with manager Leo Durocher of the Giants.

And only yesterday Rickey had reiterated that he definitely wasn't interested in landing Johnny Mize. What this new confab with Durocher means in regard to the aging homerman hitter, now nobody knows for sure.

Other names being mentioned in Brooklyn's well advertised search for a hitting first baseman include Pittsburgh's Johnny Hopp and Philadelphia's Dick Sisler.

VANDY SHINES AS REDS BLANK BRAVES

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 6 (UP).—Cincinnati pounded out 15 hits today behind the shutout pitching of Johnny Vander Meer and Harry Gumbert to beat the Boston Braves, 7 to 0 and wind up the spring series between the two clubs with an edge of five games to two.

Vander Meer gave up five hits in seven rounds, indicating he is about ready for his starting assignment against the Cardinals in the season opener April 19. Danny Litwhiler poled a homer for the Reds.

AL'S SELECTIONS

- 1—Anna Hannigan, Sadie Dee, Sprightly.
- 2—Tintalate, No Bull, Shifty Play.
- 3—Braggadocio, Gingham, Mr. Syracuse.
- 4—Flaming Lady, Gretna Green, Sugar Drop.
- 5—Jack Madigan, Free Transit, White Wine.
- 6—Capot, Energetic, Buzfuz.
- 7—Quixotic, Ascona, Piping By.
- 8—Croesus, Flying Mile, Bright Kid.

'Rigoletto' Saturday At B'klyn Academy

Verdi's "Rigoletto" will be presented for the first time this season at the Brooklyn Academy of Music this Saturday night by the Salmaggi Opera Company, with Richard Torigi in the title role.

"Il Trovatore" will be given the following Saturday.

Stengel gave Sanford the starting assignment against the A's hoping to restore his confidence inasmuch as they beat him six times

EXHIBITION SCORES

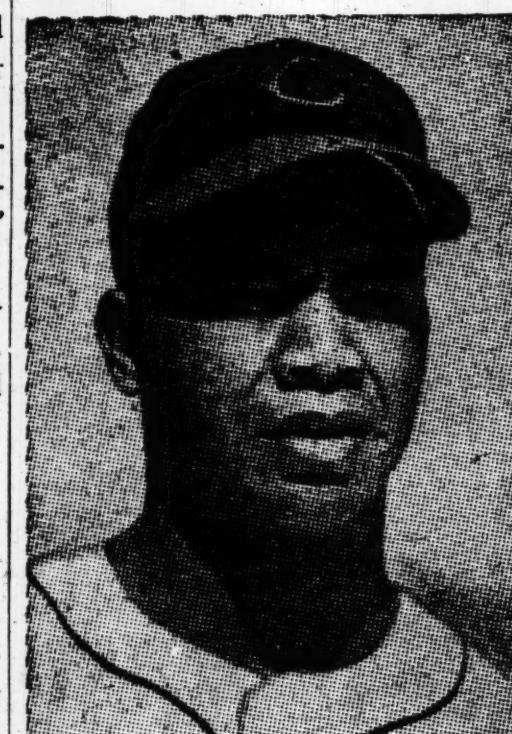
At St. Petersburg, Fla.:
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Fowler and Astroth; Sanford, Hood (9) and Houk. Losing pitcher, Sanford. Home runs—Suder, Henrich.

Jacksonville, Fla.:
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Spahn, G. Elliott (8) and Masi; Vandermeer, Gumbert (8) and Mueller, Pramesa (8). Winning pitcher—Vandermeer. Losing pitcher—Spahn. Home run—Litwhiler.

last year when he was with the Browns. But it didn't work as it did earlier with Vic Raschi who finally beat the Red Sox after losing to them three straight times last year.

Dick Fowler, who pitched for the A's gave up only four hits, one a Homer by Tommy Henrich. Pete Suder hit a Homer for the A's.

Finding the Range



LARRY DOBY
Homered with two aboard
yesterday

underwent an appendicitis operation yesterday, walked around briefly today and was reported "doing fine" but his doctor said he still would be out of action for six weeks.

Pitching Walt Masterson, who

In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo



Before the Doors Opened . . .

THE UNIFORMED MONKEYS went round and round on their little bikes . . . the band rehearsed its hopped-up music with grating repetition . . . the dachshunds balanced themselves on rolling barrels while the trainer prodded them with a jabbing stick . . . it was 24 hours before the circus officially opened at Madison Square Garden last night, and the Big Top workers rehearsed the acts over and over . . .

Outside, lines were formed at all the boxoffice windows . . . in the Garden foyer others tried to peer through the door curtains to catch a glimpse of the rehearsal . . . inside the Garden was noisily empty . . . 18,000 empty seats except for a handful of people associated with the circus management . . . a few photographers . . . the actor Rex Harrison intently watching the proceedings . . . and a writer who wanted to see the tedious backbreaking setting up chores . . . the work that goes into the finished product that opened for business last night on 49th Street for the next few weeks . . .

Over and over they went at it . . . in one ring a fellow balanced a ladder on the soles of his feet while atop it his partner was doing a headstand . . . then the guy on the bottom slowly released one leg from under the ladder and twirled a hoop around his ankle while the band whipped itself into drum-and-cymbal fury and the ladder swayed and the guy on top was still standing on his head . . .

Now there was the big production number in another ring . . . the girls were putting their saddle-horses through the various dance routines in time to music . . . the fellows with the ladder act were all through and taking their bows and waving at the empty seats . . . the monkeys were riding three-on-a-bike now . . . the dogs were catching whirling hoops with their noses . . .

The aerialists were shinnying up the cloth ladders now to take their perch high over the Garden floor . . . they went through the dizzy whirls and spins and swinging mid-air catches of their partners and there were no safety nets below them and the handful in the Garden applauded out of nervous relief when they finally called it an afternoon and came down . . .

A few minutes later up climbed the young man who has the tight-rope act . . . also without benefit of a net he jumped rope on the thin wire . . . moving along as he jumped . . . dangerously swaying while he'd quickly outstretch his hands to regain balance and every so often when it wasn't working right he'd make his way back carefully to the little perch and then come out on the rope to work it again . . . all eyes glued on him . . . that same nervous clap-clap when he called it quits, came down and took his bows up at the empty galleries . . .

On and on it went . . . over and over the workers went through their acts and toward evening as I headed for the exit I could hear somebody shouting through his megaphone . . . "Remember now . . . full dress rehearsal at 7:30 tonight . . . 7:30 sharp . . ."

You walk out into the street and your head is still full of the smell and sounds and whirling dervish of the rehearsal . . . more people are on line buying tickets for the opener . . . and it is no secret that the circus is an American institution . . . indeed an institution in lands the world over, but here, like so many other popular mediums it is big business . . . run for vast profits and its workers are terribly exploited . . . the emphasis in recent seasons has been less on the stuff that makes kids laugh and more on the putting on of acts that figure to draw at the gate . . . and that means high-wire performers and aerialists working without nets and the accidents at last season's circus hit a new high . . .

And like so many other popular mediums . . . the circus here is largely Jim Crow except for the usual sweep-up jobs . . .

And sure you like the circus as much as the next guy . . . but there's a lot about it that needs fixing and someday our circus is gonna be a much healthier and truer people's entertainment than it is now . . .

Wilson's Story of Yank-Tribe Feud

By Nat Low

SAN DIEGO, April 6.—The New York Yankees haven't got a leg to stand on in their beef with the Cleveland Indians over me," Artie Wilson, Negro shortstop of the San Diego Padres, told the Daily Worker in an exclusive story today.

"At no time was I under obligation to the Yankees—or did I ever make any promise to them, written or otherwise," Wilson declared. "I turned down the Yankees flat for one reason: their offer wasn't good enough."

Sitting in the Padre dressing room here in Lane Field, the slender shortstop whom Cleveland's Bill Veeck says is better than the Yanks' Phil Rizzuto, gave us the lowdown on the whole affair which is scheduled to come

up before baseball commissioner Happy Chandler.

"I was playing in Puerto Rico in January when Dan Greenway, a scout for the Yankees, came up to me. We talked about this and that and then Greenway said he was interested in signing me to play for the Yankees' farm club at Newark. He asked me how I felt about it and I said fine but when we began to talk price he offered me only \$500 a month."

Wilson paused here and smiled, "I turned him down flat." "Heck," he said, "I got much more than that playing with the Barons." (The Birmingham Black Barons of the Negro American League.)

"Anyway, he said another representative of the Yankees would see me in San Juan. Some time later this man approached me and repeated the offer of \$500 a

month. I turned him down again and told him I wasn't interested, that I couldn't do it because I was making much more money elsewhere."

Looking at me intently, his brows knitted, Wilson continued with emphasis, "There couldn't have been any misunderstanding because I made myself clear to this fellow. Then, just to make sure there would be no mistake about it I even sent a cable to the Yankees in New York telling them it was no go."

"So how can they say they were double-crossed or anything like that?"

"Anyway," Wilson went on, "a week or so later I got a telegram from Bill Veeck saying he'd like to see me in San Juan and was flying down that day. I was just

and so Veeck missed me but flew over to where I was playing that night.

"How'd you like to play for the Cleveland Indians?" Mr. Veeck asked me right off."

Wilson smiled happily here. "I'd love it," I told him. "Then he made me an offer and I signed up."

Was the offer better than the one the Yankees had made?

"Sure, much better. Much better," Wilson replied.

"The Yankees," Wilson finished, "have no claim at all on me and they know it. It was strictly a matter of how much I thought was coming to me and the Indians came through. That's all."

And that clears up the business of the so-called "unethical dealings" of Cleveland's Bill Veeck as charged by the Yankees' George Weiss.